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7 killed in NC hills violence



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Violence in North Cachar hills district refuses to halt as 7 persons were killed in yet another strike by miscreants on Wednesday night even as the Centre is determined to stem violence in the north eastern region.

According to information, five persons including a teenager were killed and three others wounded as armed miscreants attacked a tiny Dimasa village under Mahur police station on Wednesday. Armed miscreants attacked the hamlet killing five people - four children and a woman - and injured three more. The militants opened indiscriminate fire on a group of people resulting in the gruesome incident. The injured, a woman and two children, were admitted to a local hospital with multiple bullet injuries.

The victims were all from the Dimasa tribe and it appears to be a retaliation to the killing of three Zemi Naga women earlier this week. On the other hand, Home Minister P. Chidambaram has said the Centre is determined to put down violence perpetrated by insurgent groups in the Northeast. He said paramilitary forces and state police are vigilant. But despite their best efforts, incidents like this (killing of Hindi-speaking people) happened. Reacting to the reports of fresh violence in Assam, he described the killing of non-Assamese there as a matter of concern while expressing regret.



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