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Farmers and herders clash in Zabzugu District of the Northern Region, Ghana.

BACKGROUND/ DEMOGRAPHY



- The Zabzugu District is located in the Eastern part of the Northern Region and shares boundaries with Tada-Adangbe District to the East, Yendi Municipality to the West, Nanton North District to the South and Saboba District to the North.
- Zabzugu is the capital of the Zabzugu District and a home to the Dagomba and Gonkomba ethnic groups.
- It has a population of 63,813 (Ghana Population Census, 2008), representing 2.8% of the total population of the Northern Region. Males constitute 49.1% and females represent 50.9%.
- In 2013, the District was carved out of the Zabzugu Mafre District in line with the provisions of Legislative Instrument (2013).
- Skilled agriculture, forestry and fishing account for 86.3% of the economic activities within the district.

Source: Origin Map of Northern Region indicating Zabzugu District
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On Tuesday, April 3, 2018, a farmer from Sabare Jagrido met two herdsman and grazing cattle on the newly cultivated farmland. According to WANEP-Ghana Community Monitors in the district, the herders have been warned on many occasions to desist from grazing cattle on farmlands. The farmer was allegedly attacked by the herdsman and sustained deep cut on the head in the incident.