

# Zamfara: Bandits kill LG vice chair, abduct 5 nursing mothers

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Mansur Sani, said the community struggled to raise the ransom.

**B**andits have killed the vice chairman of Bukuyum Local Government Area in Zamfara State, Mu'azu Muhammad Gwashi, after collecting a N15 million ransom.

Gwashi had spent over six months in captivity, with the kidnappers initially demanding N30 million for his release.

A resident, Malam Muhammad

"They demanded N30 million, which we couldn't afford. After collecting N15 million, they brought him to the community. Many people saw him, but they later took him back into the forest and killed him," he said.

Zamfara State Commissioner for Information, Hon. Mahmud Muhammad Dantawasa, condoled with the family and people of Bukuyum, describing the killing as

tragic.

Meanwhile, two days earlier, bandits stormed Saran Wawa village in Ruwan Rana district and abducted five nursing mothers and four others.

A relative of one victim, Malam Shehu, said the attack occurred around 12:00 am on December 8. The abducted women—each carrying a baby—were taken to an unknown location, and the kidnappers have yet to contact their families.