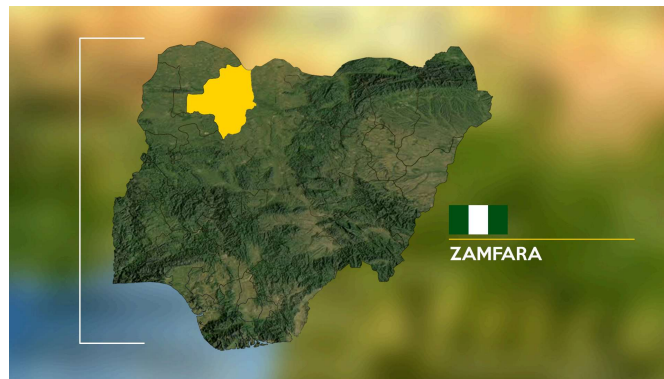


6 Bandits Killed As Security Operatives Foil Attack In Zamfara



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A joint security operation has successfully repelled bandit attacks on Kanoma Town and Gidan Daji Village in Kanoma District of Maru Local Government Area, Zamfara State.

A statement by the police spokesperson, DSP Yazid Abubakar, said the incident occurred on Tuesday, June 9, 2026, when a large number of bandits, wielding sophisticated weapons including RPGs, GPMGs, anti-aircraft guns, and AK-47 rifles, launched an attack on the communities.

The police spokesperson said security operatives acted swiftly following a distress call. A combined team comprising Police Tactical Operatives from Maru Division, military personnel attached to Operation Fansan Yamma, operatives of the Violence Crime Response Unit (VCRU), and local vigilantes, led by the Divisional Police Officer (DPO), was immediately deployed to respond to the threat.

“The security team engaged the assailants in a gun duel, forcing them to retreat and preventing the attack from succeeding. During the operation, six bandits riding on two motorcycles were neutralised,” the statement read.

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Yazid added that several bandits fled into nearby forests with suspected gunshot wounds.

“No casualties were recorded among security personnel or residents of the affected communities,” Yazid said.

The police said the security presence has since been reinforced in the area, with constant patrols to maintain peace and further reassure residents that the fleeing suspects will be tracked down.

He added that the command remains resolute in its commitment to safeguarding lives and property, calling on residents to continue cooperating with security agencies by providing timely, actionable information.