

Terrorists attack community, kill 10, injure several in Katsina

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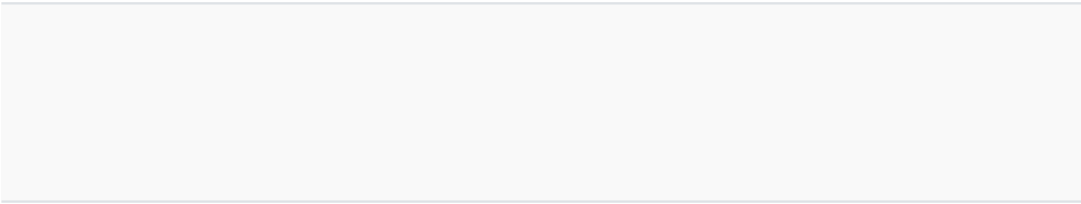
- Abduct 24 pupils, two others from Islamic school in Kogi
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No fewer than 10 persons have been killed, with several others injured in a terror attack on Gurbi, Kankara Local Council of [Katsina State](#).

The terrorists stormed the community Sunday afternoon, shooting sporadically, but were repelled by vigilantes and armed locals who stopped them from gaining entry into the community, residents told newsmen.

Gurbi, an agrarian and business community in Kankara, shares boundaries with several vulnerable communities within the Tsafe area in Zamfara State.

“The bandits began shooting before reaching the community. The moment our vigilante members heard gunshots, they went outside the community to engage the bandits,” a youth leader in the community, who sought anonymity, said.



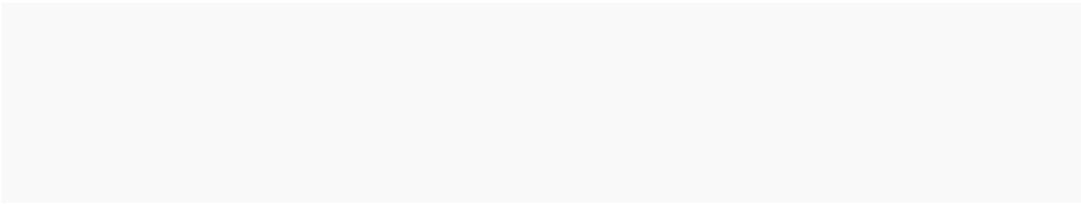
“Afraid of the unknown, several people ran out of their houses to escape being trapped. When the bandits saw our people running out, they followed them behind and started shooting them,” he added.

A health worker in the community, who also sought anonymity, said some of the people were killed at close range.

“I think some of the residents ran into the [bandits](#) while running out of the community, and they were cruelly shot by the bandits,” he said.

When contacted, the police spokesperson, Abubakar-Sadiq Aliyu, said he would revert.

Also, terrorists have invaded Daarul Kitab, an Islamic school and orphanage, kidnapping 24 pupils and two relatives of the proprietor.



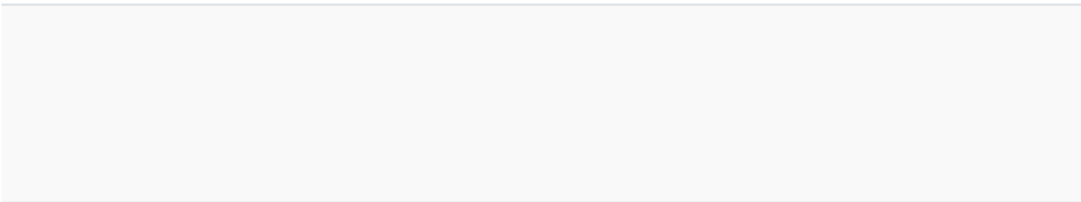
They stormed the facility, located along NNPC Road, Kabba Junction in Zariagi, a suburb of Lokoja, around 11:45 p.m. on Sunday, according to a statement by the police spokesperson in Kogi, Saliu Afusat.

She said the attackers invaded the premises and abducted 26 persons, including 24 pupils and two wives of the proprietor, Mohammed Tajudeen.

According to her, a joint security team, comprising the police, military, and other agencies, was immediately deployed to the scene. She said the team rescued 17 pupils.

Afusat said the Commissioner of Police, [Naziru Kankarofi](#), visited the scene and ordered the deployment of additional tactical teams to intensify bush-combing, surveillance, and intelligence gathering.

No group has claimed responsibility for the attack, but The Guardian understands that the area is saturated with many violent actors, including criminal bandits and members of Ansaru, a breakaway faction of the Boko Haram sect.



The state government also confirmed the incident, describing the facility as operating outside regulatory oversight and located in a vulnerable, isolated area.

The Commissioner for Information and Communications, Kingsley Fanwo, said the school's location raised safety concerns.

“The facility was operating illegally in a remote, bushy environment without registration with the state government and without the knowledge of relevant authorities and security agencies,” he said.

He said efforts were ongoing to rescue the remaining victims and track down the attackers, while warning operators of schools and orphanages against setting up such facilities in isolated locations without proper authorisation.