

Police Kill 2 Bandits, Defuse IEDs In Zamfara Operation



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Zamfara State Police Command has neutralised two bandits, recovered and defused several IEDs as it sustained efforts to combat banditry and violent crimes across the state.

A statement signed by DSP Yazid Abubakar spokesperson of the command said “on 26th May, 2026, at about 0030hrs, a group of armed hoodlums invaded the Funture area of Rugar Buda Village via Nahuce District in Bungudu Emirate, shooting sporadically in an attempt to cause panic among the residents.”

The statement reads, “Upon receipt of the report, Police operatives and other security personnel stationed in Nahuce swiftly mobilized and responded to the

scene, where they engaged the bandits in a fierce gun duel. During the encounter, two bandits were neutralized, forcing the remaining criminals to flee into the surrounding forest with possible gunshot injuries.

“Regrettably, a vigilante member identified as Kabiru Auwal, male, 35 years old, of Gwargwabe area, sustained a gunshot injury on his left hand, resulting in a fracture. He is currently receiving treatment at hospital and responding to treatment.

“Meanwhile, patrol and confidence-building operations have been intensified in the affected community to prevent further attacks and ensure the safety of residents.

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“In a related development, on 25th May, 2026, at about 1300hrs, following a distress call, the newly established Violent Crime Response Unit (VCRU), in collaboration with the EOD-CBRN Team, conducted a sweeping operation along Bilbis–Kuncin Kalgo Road.

“During the operation, the team detected a pressure plate Improvised Explosive Device (IED), also known as a victim-operated IED, at Hayin Kagana–Kuncin Kalgo axis. The explosive device was suspected to have been planted by terrorists operating within the area with the intention of targeting security personnel and innocent civilians.

“The EOD-CBRN experts successfully evacuated and neutralized the planted IED without any casualty. Components of the explosive device were safely demolished in accordance with standard safety procedures to prevent accidental detonation, while the affected area was rendered safe for public movement.”

The Commissioner of Police, Zamfara State Command, CP Ahmad Muhammad Bello, commended the bravery and professionalism displayed by the operatives and reassured members of the public of the Command’s unwavering commitment to protecting lives and property across the state.

