

Bandits kill two vigilante members in Lokoja

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Two members of the Volunteer Guards of Nigeria (VGN) have been killed in Lokoja by gunmen suspected to be bandits.

The officers, Abbas Idris and Ibrahim Bello Hussain, were ambushed and killed while on duty on Friday, February 6, 2026.

The Chairman of Lokoja Local Government, Comrade Abdullahi Adamu, confirmed the incident in a statement issued on Saturday.

He described the killings as a heavy blow to the community and extended heartfelt condolences to the families, friends, and colleagues of the fallen officers.

"Their vigilance and sacrifices have significantly improved security in the area," Adamu said.

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He also commended the courage of security personnel who risk their lives daily to protect citizens.

"We stand in solidarity with the bereaved families during this painful period.

"The sacrifice of Abbas Idris and Ibrahim Bello Hussain will not be in vain, Insha Allah," he added.

The council urged residents to remain vigilant and continue supporting security efforts in the area.

“We appeal to members of the public to report suspicious activities to the authorities and work closely with security agencies to ensure the safety of our neighbourhoods,” the statement read.

Adamu also called on government agencies and community leaders to intensify collaboration in combating criminal activities.

He emphasised that the local government would provide necessary assistance to the families of the deceased officers to support them during this difficult time.

The Lokoja Local Government further announced plans to hold a memorial service in honour of the officers in recognition of their bravery and commitment to protecting the community.

“Abbas and Ibrahim will be remembered for their courage and dedication.

“Their legacy will continue to inspire others to serve with integrity and selflessness,” the statement concluded.