

Terrorists attack WAEC candidates, kill vice principal, 2 others in Kogi community

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From **Emmanuel Adeyemi**, Lokoja

Dozens of bandits invaded a secondary school in Iluke, Kabba-Bunu Local Government Area of Kogi State, killing a vice principal and two other persons in an attempt to abduct students.

According to eyewitness accounts, the bandits stormed the community on Wednesday morning, June 10, 2026, in an apparent attempt to abduct students writing the West African Senior School Certificate Examination (WASSCE), shooting sporadically as they advanced.

Reports indicated that the main target of the attack was UBE Iluke-Bunu, where students were sitting for their WAEC examination at the time of the invasion.

During the attack, Mr. Gani Anifowose, Vice Principal of Government Secondary School, Aharha-Bunu, a neighbouring community, was killed alongside two other persons.

Sources said troops of the Nigerian Army stationed at Suku-Kiri Bunu, a nearby community, swiftly responded to a distress call and arrived in Iluke-Bunu, successfully foiling what could have resulted in the mass abduction of students and staff.

Sources close to the Kabba-Bunu Local Government Area confirmed the attack, while residents continued to express concern over the growing insecurity in the area.

During the ensuing confrontation, one of the bandits was reportedly neutralised by the troops, while the remaining attackers fled the scene.

Meanwhile, reports indicated that some residents remained unaccounted for following the invasion, raising fears that additional victims may have been abducted or displaced during the attack.

Neither the police nor the state government could provide details of the incident as of the time of filing this report.

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The Vice Chairman of Ifedayo Local Government Area of Osun State, Hon. Debo Farohunbi, has been abducted by gunmen.

According to information gathered, the incident occurred at about 9 p.m. on Tuesday.

An eyewitness, who identified himself simply as Yinka, said the kidnappers stormed the community through the Papa area of Gaa Fulani, Ora-Igbomina.

He explained that the gunmen first abducted a Fulani woman and another woman who reportedly ran out after hearing the kidnappers shouting.

The eyewitness said both the chairman and vice chairman of the local government were outside when they heard the kidnappers and attempted to flee.

According to him, the chairman escaped by scaling a fence, while the vice chairman was abducted along with the two women.

He added that military personnel pursued the kidnappers and exchanged gunfire with them. The abductors later abandoned the two women and escaped with the vice chairman.

The Osun State Police Command spokesperson, Abiodun Ojelabi, confirmed the incident.

He said joint security operatives were already working to locate the abductors, adding that security personnel were combing the forest to rescue the victim and arrest the kidnappers.

As of the time of filing this report, the whereabouts of the vice chairman remained unknown, although the police assured that efforts were ongoing to secure his release.