

Zamfara: Bandits kill 18, injure several, abduct 4 in fresh attack

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No fewer than 18 people, including a police informant, were killed while several others sustained gunshot injuries, and four residents were abducted when heavily armed bandits attacked Goran Namaye village in Maradun Local Government Area of Zamfara State on Friday.

The attack, which occurred at about 10:00 a.m., targeted farmers working on their farmlands and has further heightened concerns over insecurity and its impact on agricultural activities in the state.

According to a security situation report from the Zamfara State Police Command, a large group of armed bandits stormed Goran Namaye with sophisticated weapons, including General Purpose Machine Guns (GPMG), Anti-Aircraft (AA) guns, Rocket-Propelled Grenades (RPGs), AK-47 rifles, and other dangerous weapons.

The assailants reportedly opened sporadic fire on the community and adjoining farmlands, prompting

villagers to mobilise in an attempt to repel the attack. However, they were overwhelmed by the superior firepower of the attackers.

The police report stated that 17 villagers and one police informant lost their lives during the assault, while seven persons sustained gunshot injuries. The attackers also abducted four residents and took them to an unknown destination.

However, local residents put the number of those injured at 13.

Confirming the incident, the Chairman of Maradun Local Government Area, Hon. Sanusi Ahmed Dosara, said he received the report with shock and immediately alerted security agencies to respond.

Terrorists abduct 20, kill 1 in Kwara

Suspected terrorists attacked three Kwara communities in coordinated raids, killing one person and abducting about 20 residents.

Affected communities include Gaa-Alla and Gaa Oke Abba in Isin Local Government Area and Famole town