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Rustlers kill herder, steal 32 cows in Kaduna

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Armed rustlers Monday raided Gidan Magaji, a hamlet under Akilibu in Kachia Local Government Area of Kaduna State, killing one herder.

They also stole about 32 cattle belonging to the deceased. Vigilantes were said to have gone after the thieves but could not apprehend them.

A source in Akilibu said Alhaji Kadi was shot dead by the rustlers before they stole his cattle.

He said the thieves stormed the hamlet, shooting sporadically into the air to scare the residents.

The source said livestock and herders were under threat in the area as a result of daily attacks by armed thieves.

Some of the herders were reported to have migrated from the area for fear of attack.

Soldiers dislodged rustlers from Birnin Gwari thick forest where they were hiding and arrested some last year. But the thieves have resurfaced and continued their attacks, especially in the Kachia-Kagargo-Bwari area.

Attempts to reach the police in Kaduna for comments were not successful.

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