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Written by Salisu Zakari Maradun, Gusau Tuesday, 17 July 2007

Three middle-aged women including a teenager were killed by suspected armed robbers who attacked Mayanchi village in Maru local government of Zamfara state.

The tragedy happened at about 9pm last Sunday when their commuter vehicle was stopped by the suspected robbers who wore black masks.

Witnesses report that the robbers were brandishing dangerous weapons and fired several shots into the air to scare people away.

The victims were reportedly robbed of their cell phones and money amounting to hundreds of thousands of naira.

Daily Trust learnt that after the operation on the highway, they proceeded to a nearby village and raped a some women they locked up all the men in one room and threatened to kill them, should they make any move.

Brandishing different dangerous weapons, the suspected armed robbers continued to shoot indiscriminately into the air until they successfully escaped, leaving their victims lying in their blood.

When contacted, the state's police public relation officer, ASP Lawal Abdullahi, said they were yet to receive such an information about the incident. "We are yet not aware of this, but actually, as far as the command is concerned, nothing of that nature happened," he explained.

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