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The Chairman, National Union of Road Transport Workers (NURTW) Taxi. Long Journey, Garage Kawo, Kaduna, Adamu Muhammed Abaji has said that the union lost five drivers to kidnappers this year in Buruku along the Birnin Gwari-Kaduna highway.

Speaking to newsmen in Kaduna on Sunday, the chairman explained that some of their drivers sustained gun shots injuries while trying to escape kidnappers and armed robbers along the highway.

He said, "We recently held a meeting with Yakubu Soja head of Operation Yaki outfit and also visited the 1 Division of Nigerian Army headquarters to plead with them on ways to provide more security along our highways.

"This issue of kidnapping is really a menace that needs government attention because we are losing our drivers over the activities of the kidnappers activities while other drivers are scared of plying the route."

He appealed to the kidnappers to fear God and stop the criminal acts

and urged government at all levels to take appropriate measures to end the menace.