

Widow shot dead as police protest killing of 2 cops in Kaduna


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A widow was accidentally shot dead yesterday as policemen at the Kaduna State Police Command staged a protest over the killing of two of their colleagues by armed men in Birnin Gwari.

The woman was said to have been shot while one of the protesting policemen fired a shot to show his seriousness.

The police said two of the bandits were also killed.

The Police Public Relations Officer in Kaduna State, ASP Mukhtar Hussain Aliyu, said the two policemen were killed on Monday when their team was ambushed during a routine patrol around 6:30pm at Tabanni village along Birnin-Gwari-Funtua Road.

He said the police team engaged the attackers in a fierce gun battle and at the end two of the gunmen were killed and one AK 47 rifle was recovered.

“Unfortunately, two police officers lost their lives in the incident,” he said.

In their deep mourning mood, some police officers who conveyed the corpses of their colleagues to Kaduna at about 1100hrs yesterday

encountered an unfortunate incident where there was accidental discharge which hit a female member of the public.

“She was rushed to the hospital but sadly died from sustained wounds. The Police Command wishes to reassure members of the public that the state is calm and peaceful. As such, people are free and safe to go about their lawful businesses without fear or molestation.”