

Kaduna police confirm 17 killed in Birnin Gwari

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The police in Kaduna have confirmed that 17 people died when armed bandits attacked a village, Jan Ruwa in Birnin Gwari local government area of the state on tuesday.

A statement by the police command's Public Relations Officer, DSP Yakubu Sabo yesterday said the bandits also rustled away many cows.

According to Sabo, "On 12th March, 2019 at about 11.45, we received an information that a group of bandits entered into Jan Ruwa village in Birnin Gwari LGA and rustled

many cows. "Teams of vigilante groups of the village who were returning from a function in Zamfara state got the information, mobilised and pursued the criminals into the deep forest.

"They engaged the criminals in serious gun duel and as a result, some of the vigilante member lost their lives."

He said a combined team of PMF men, conventional police and vigilante had been mobilised to the area for a search and rescue mission.

"In the process, the bodies of 15 vigilante members as well as two others were recovered."

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