Police kill 3 bandits, lose 2 officers in Birnin Gwari

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The Kaduna State Police Command yesterday said its men killed three armed bandits that attacked Kakangi village of Birnin Gwari on Saturday.

The command's spokesman, Yakubu Sabo, said two policemen died when they engaged the attackers in a fierce gun battle.

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The bandits had attacked residents during a mass wedding in the community.

Sabo identified the slain police officers as Inspector Aliyu Mohammed and Sergeant Rabiu Abubakar, both from the Randagi Police Division.

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He said Sergeant Ibrahim Nasir and six civilians were injured and were receiving treatment at the General Hospital B/Gwari.

Sabo said the attackers also torched some houses in the village.

"We received a distress call through DPO Randagi on 6/4/19 at about 1900hrs that Armed Men in large number entered Kakangi village of B/Gwari LGA a neighbouring community to Niger state, shooting sporadically attacking the villagers.

"Combined teams of PMF personnel, conventional police and vigilante were quickly mobilized to the village engaged the bandits in fierce gun duel and successfully repelled the attack.

"Our gallant men gunned down three of the bandits and several others escaped into the bush with bullet wounds. However, two of our men paid the supreme sacrifice during the intense gun duel with the bandits," he said.

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