

Bandits kill 35 in 3 Zamfara villages

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Armed bandits

Suspected gunmen on Friday killed 35 persons in attacks on three villages in Shinkafi Local Government Area of Zamfara State, *Daily Trust* on Sunday gathered.

Residents said a motorbike riding gang of armed men arrived, firing at farmers in Kwallido, Tungar Kahau and Gidan Wawa villages. The communities are located 20Km West of Shinkafi town and are not far apart.

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A resident, Sani Aliyu, told our correspondent that the gunmen chased the farmers on motorbikes into their houses and shot them dead, adding that some of them were killed in their farms.

“I’m just coming back from the funeral prayers of the victims. The gunmen shot 12 dead in Gidan Wawa, 22 in Tungar Kahau, one in Kwallido. The armed men arrived on motorbikes, shooting people who were working on their farms.

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“Some of the farmers who sensed trouble when they saw them approach abandoned their working tools, took to their heels and hid behind shrubs.

“About 17 months ago more than a dozen people were killed in an attack on Tungar Kahau village. This is the second time they are raiding the community. They warned the farmers to desist from going to farms or face dire consequences,” he added.

The spokesman of the state police command, SP Muhammad Shehu, could not be reached for comments at the time of filing this report.