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Suspected bandits Saturday evening attacked Katsira Tsauna village in Sabon Birni Local Government Area of Sokoto State, killing three young men.

Three women were also said to have sustained gunshot injuries and were receiving treatment in a hospital.

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The bandits invaded Katsira village on five motorcycles and started shooting sporadically.

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"They killed three young men and injured three ladies who are now in the hospital. If not for the quick response of the army drafted to the area, the number of the casualties would have been higher than this," a witness said.

Also at Gardin Ginge village on Tuesday, bandits killed three elderly men and rustled cattle.

The spokesman of the state police command, Muhammadu Sadiq, confirmed the attack, but said the information at his disposal was very scanty.

The attacks were amid the claim by the state government that it was into a serious negotiation with bandits.

The state's Commissioner for Careers and Security Services, Garba Moyi, instrumental to the said negotiation, could not be reached for comment.

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