In Abuja, gunmen suspected to be kidnappers shot dead four persons and abducted an unspecified number of passengers at Ahoko village, along Abuja-Lokoja highway.

*Daily Trust* learnt that a man identified as Abdulmalik Yakubu, a native of the village, who was riding a motorcycle was also abducted, but he escaped from his abductors on the way to their den.

A member of the vigilante in the area, who preferred anonymity also corroborated the story.

A resident of the community, simply identified as Ibrahim, said the incident happened at about 7 pm on Wednesday, at Ahoko Bridge, when the gunmen emerged from the bush and opened fire on three Toyota Hiace buses conveying passengers to the eastern part of the country.

He said men of the Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC) from Gegu unit command later arrived at the scene with an ambulance and conveyed the four corpses to the mortuary in Lokoja, Kogi State.