

Bandits kill 2, abduct many in Sokoto

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Bandits have killed two persons and abducted several others after they blocked two major roads in Sokoto State.

The roads blocked by the marauders include the Sokoto-Gusau Road, where 60 road users were said to have been abducted in the early hours of yesterday.

They also blocked Wurno-Goronyo Road around 5pm, the same day, killing two persons and abducting others.

The General Manager of the Sokoto Mass Transit, Yahuza Abubakar Chika, who confirmed the attack along Sokoto-Gusau Road, said one of their buses was affected.

"The driver of the bus and one other passenger escaped unhurt but the rest of the passengers were whisked into the bush by the bandits," he said

Also confirming the Wurno-Goronyo attack, the Chairman of Wurno Local Government Area, Abubakar Arzika, said two persons including a lady were killed by the bandits.

He, however, could not confirm the abduction of other passengers along the road, saying police were still investigating the matter.

The spokesman for the Sokoto Police Command, ASP Sanusi Abubakar, could not be reached for comment as he was responding to calls.