

Bandits kill DPO, soldier in fresh Katsina attack

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Bandits have attacked Magamar Jibia, a town in Jibia Local Government Area of Katsina State, killing the Divisional Police Officer (DPO), DSP A. A. Rano, and a soldier.

Daily Trust gathered that the DPO had led a reinforcement team to repel the bandits when they ambushed and killed him and the unnamed soldier.

A resident, Muhammad Aminu, said the gunmen also injured a senior

military officer simply identified as Col. Masoyi and abducted an unknown number of people in the attack.

“During the incursion, they ambushed and opened fire on the car which was conveying the DPO of Jibia, along with another soldier.

“Col. Masoyi was shot in his thigh and he is currently receiving treatment,” Aminu said.

Recall that the DPO, in the company of some military personnel, had been able to chase out bandits that attacked Daddara villages also in Jibia Local Government

where a village head and five others were killed.

The Police Public Relations Officer in Katsina, SP Gambo Isah, had posted the pictures and mourned the police officer on different social media platforms.

According to Police authorities in Katsina, bandits’ kingpins from Zamfara, such as Abdulkarim, Dan Karami, Dangote, and Abu Rabe are converging around villages in Jibia Local Government Area due to the ongoing military operations in Sokoto and Zamafara states.