

2 Terrorists kill 17, abduct several others in 2 Kaduna LGAs

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Terrorists have killed 17
villagers and abducted several
people including women in
communities across Kagarko
and Kachia LGAs of Kaduna
State.

Our correspondents gathered
that while 17 people were
killed in four communities on
Thursday, terrorists yesterday
abducted 22 others around
Angwar Ma'aji in Jere, Kagarko
LGA of Kaduna State.

This happened barely 24 hours after the Inspector General of Police (IGP), Usman Alkali Baba, visited the highway.

Jere, which shares a boundary with Tafa-Sabon-Wuse in Niger State, is located on the ever-busy Abuja-Kaduna highway.

A resident of Angwar Maji,

Shehu Bala, who confirmed the latest abduction through a phone conversation with our reporter, said the incident happened around 11pm on Sunday.

He said the bandits, who came in large numbers, invaded some houses and whisked away 22 residents, including five women.

"The bandits came in their large numbers as some of them wore army uniforms. They moved from house to house and woke their victims up before they marched them into the bush at gunpoint," he said.

According to him, the bandits operated in the community for over an hour.

He added that they only started shooting into the air to scare people from coming after them when leaving the community.

Bala, however, said one

among the 22 kidnapped victims escaped from his abductors while being led into the bush.

Onomza John, a youth leader in Maido District of Kagarko LGA said 17 people were killed in four villages: Maido Rafi, Abrom, Kabobe and Ankwa.

He said the bandits also stole 22 motorcycles during the attacks.

Confirming the killing, the Chairman of Kachia LGA, Aaron Bako, said apart from the 17 villagers killed, seven others were injured and had started receiving treatment at an undisclosed hospital.

The Kaduna State Police Command has yet to comment on the two attacks as the Police Public Relations Officer, ASP Mohammed Jalinge, promised to get back but had yet to do so as of the time of filing this report.