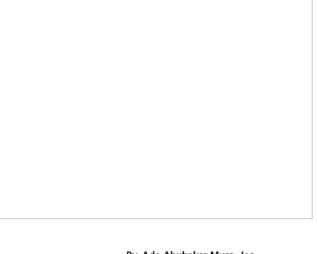
5 Killed, 20 Abducted In Fresh Attack On Plateau Village



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No fewer than five passengers, including a vigilante, were killed along the Sabon Gari-Kampani Road in Wase Local Government Area of Plateau State.

Daily Trust on Sunday reports that the victims were killed by suspected bandits operating in the area.

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According to Abdullahi Usman, a resident of Wase town, the vigilante and one other person were ambushed, while the remaining three were killed during a stop- and-search operation by the bandits.

Usman added that more than 20 passengers were kidnapped in the incident.

He said, "The vigilante and one other person were on a motorcycle from Sabon- Gari to Kampani when the bandits attacked them. They killed them and went away with the motorcycle.

"Later, when the villagers were returning after market hours, they were stopped and kidnapped. Three of them were killed."

When contacted, the spokesperson of Operation Safe Haven, Major Ishaku Takwa, said he had not been informed about the incident, but he promised to get back to our correspondent.