

# Bandits kill 9, kidnap ex-CBN director, 34 others in Kaduna

**N**ine persons have been shot dead in Kwasam community, Kauru Local Government Area and Gwada community in Igabi Local Government Area in Kaduna State.

The bandits also abducted 35 other persons, including a retired Director of Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN), his brother and the brother's wife.

They were said to have also injured nine people during the attack in the two local government areas.

The retired CBN Director was identified as Zakariya Markus.

The breakdown showed that six persons were killed, five abducted and two injured in Kauru LGA while three persons were killed, seven injured, and 30 others kidnapped in Igabi LGA of the state.

According to sources, the incident occurred penultimate

Friday around 10pm when bandits invaded the community.

Sources said the bandits picked two people who, at gunpoint, led them to the residence of the retired CBN staff and abducted him.

The source said, "Bandits moved to his family house, abducted his brother and the brother's wife.

"Residents rushed out in an attempt to rescue victims but the bandits fired at them killing six, injuring two.

"Those killed, include Danmasani Gwaska, Mrs Giwa John, Kapishi Barmu, Ganya Ubangida, Shigama Salisu and Gani Magawata.

"Those kidnapped include Mr. Zakariya Markus (retired CBN director), Mr Monday Markus (Younger brother to the retired CBN staff), Mrs Monday Markus (wife of Monday), Mr. Alhamdu Makeri's son and Baban Fati of Kauru."