

Bandits Kill 2 Victims For Failing To Pay N5m In Kaduna

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Confirming the incident through telephone to our reporter on Monday, a resident of Azzara, Ibrahim Shehu, said the incident happened on Saturday after the leader of the bandits informed the relations of three of the victims who took ransom money and foodstuffs to them around the Rijana Forest.

He said the bandits' leader collected N6m and the foodstuffs for the release of the three victims, including a nursing mother, but informed the relations that two among the victims had been killed since they could not raise an earlier N5m.

He added the bandits also threatened to kill the remaining victims if their relations failed to pay their ransom within seven days.

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The spokesman of the Kaduna State Police Command, SP Hassan Mansur, was yet to confirm the incident as calls put across to him were not answered.

Recall that City & Cime earlier reported that bandits, on April, 3, 2024, invaded Azzara village, killed a community leader, Mr Philibus Andrew, and abducted 13 others, including a nursing mother.