

“In a related incident earlier the same day at about 1130hrs, a Kemenji-based vigilante group on routine foot patrol encountered suspected bandits within the Kainji National Park area.

“In the course of the gun duel, three of the suspected bandits suffered fatal gunshot wounds and a member of the vigilante, Yusuf Samba was shot and later succumbed to gunshot injury.

“Our investigation culminated in the arrest of an informant, who admitted to collaborating with a group of bandits. This individual has proven to be a valuable asset in advancing the investigation”, she said.

Meanwhile, Governor AbdulRahman AbdulRazaq has led a high power delegation including top military and intelligence chiefs to visit Kaiama to assess security concerns and reinforce inter-agency collaboration across border communities.

Accompanying the Governor was the General Officer Commanding (GOC) 2 Division, Nigerian Army, Major General O.G. Onubugu, the Brigade Commander, Sobi Cantonment, Brigadier General E.B. Barkins, the Commissioner of Police, Kwara State Command, CP Adekimi Ojo, the Director of the Department of State Services, Mr Michael Aganwu and Alh Aliyu Muyideen, the Senior special adviser on security matters to the Governor.

According to Adetoun, “The team held a strategic security interface with the Emir of Kaiama, Alh Muazu Shehu Omar (Bagidi ki Yaru IV) and other critical stakeholders.

“Deliberations focused on the security architecture within Kemenji, Karoji, and the Kainji National Park axis.”

“The command assures residents of Kaiama, Baruten, and adjoining communities that adequate security deployments are in place and being reinforced to forestall any threat to peace and order.

“Citizens are urged to go about their lawful activities without fear, while remaining vigilant and cooperative with law enforcement. Let it be clearly stated that any individual or group attempting to undermine the safety of our communities will be decisively dealt with in accordance with the law”, she added.