

Gunmen attack two Kaduna communities, kill one, kidnap couple

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Gunmen suspected to be kidnappers have killed one person and abducted a couple in Gbagyi Villa community in Chickun Local Government Area of Kaduna State.

In a related development, gunmen suspected to be kidnappers attacked Dan-Honu II community, in the same Chikun Local Government, but they were repelled by some community members and

their vigilante group.

The two incidents took place in the late hours of Thursday.

Chairman of Gbagyi Villa Property Owners Association, Mr Chris Obudumu, described the incident as unfortunate while calling on government to beef up security around communities in the state.

Obudumu who narrated the incident said the kidnappers, who were large in numbers, broke through the window of Mr and Mrs Jack Uwenke and kidnapped them, leaving the children crying.

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He explained that Mr Stephen Sabastian, a National Diploma student of Kaura Namoda Polytechnic Gusau and neighbour to the kidnapped, on hearing the cry and shout rushed out to help but was shot dead in the process.

Obudumu however urged the state government to re-energize its strategy to curtail kidnapping and other social vices.

At Dan-Honu II, Millennium City, a member of the community whose house was targeted in the attack narrated that, the gunmen, who came on bike were about to break into his house, but the quick intervention of the community vigilante and some members of the community made the suspected kidnappers to retreat.

Meanwhile, Chairman of Dan-Honu II Residents' Association, Mr Akoh Salifu called on the State Government and security agencies in particular to pay special attention to developing areas like Dan-Honu II and the entire Millennium City, Kaduna.

Mr Akoh explained that, the Thursday incident was the third attack on the two communities of Ungwan Ma'aji and Dan-Honu II, Millennium City, in the last two weeks.

The Nation reported that, a police Inspector, polytechnic Lecturer and 10 others were kidnapped at Ungwan Ma'aji in the first two attacks.

Kaduna Police Command's PPRO, Mohammed Jalige did not respond to several calls put across to him.