

Man set ablaze inside vehicle in Katsina

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BANDITS have attacked and set an unidentified man ablaze in his car in Faskari Local Council of Katsina state.

Deputy Speaker, State House of Assembly and member representing Faskari Constituency, Hon. Dalhatu Tafoki made this known in an interview with newsmen yesterday.

Tafoki, who did not reveal the victim's identity, however, said that communities in the council had been under constant attack when the incident occurred.

He said eight persons lost their lives during attacks

within the week, while 17 women were abducted and moved into the dreaded forest in the area.

He said: "For about five days now, the issue of insecurity has continued to occur. There was an attack on Saturday, Sunday, Monday and Tuesday.

"They attacked Kwakware near Sheme, where they kidnapped about 17 women. The next day, they attacked a village called Kampani Mai-Lafiya near Sheme and along Gusau-Funtua road, where they attacked a man in his car, killed him and set him ablaze in his car.

"After that, they went to Unguwar Ibrahim, where they

had a field day and operated for over an hour. They killed seven persons while seven others were injured and hospitalised."

The lawmaker said he had tabled the security situation to his colleagues on the floor of the House, as a matter of urgent action.

He called on government to deploy more security presence in the area to check the frequency of the attacks by bandits.

At the time of this report, spokesperson for the police command in the state, SP Gambo Isah could not be immediately reached for inquiry on the incident.