

# Again, bandits invade Kwara community, kill one, injure another

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**B**ANDITS at the weekend, invaded the Oreke-Okegbo community in Ifelodun local council of Kwara State, killing one and injuring another.

The Guardian gathered that the hoodlums, dressed in military uniforms and including a woman, invaded the area at about 7 pm.

A credible source said: "They shot one person at Awere River, and all efforts made by Kabiesi Oloreke to contact the army at Oro Ago proved abortive."

In a telephone chat yesterday, the traditional ruler of

Oreke, Oba Joseph Sunday Afolabi, confirmed that one person was shot and injured, while one other was killed.

EQUALLY, bandits, yesterday, shot the Director-General of the Zamfara State Community Protection Guards (CPG), General Lawal B. Muhammad (rtd).

It was gathered that the military officer was shot by the bandits during an attack on motorists at Kucheri village in the Tsafe council area of the state.

A source in the Zamfara State Ministry of Internal Security, who preferred anonymity, confirmed the incident and said the DG was

receiving medical treatment at a hospital in Gusau, the state capital.

Meanwhile, Zamfara State Governor, Dauda Lawal, has pledged to support the families of the nine guards members killed in an ambush last week.

The governor pledged during a condolence visit to the Tsafe Emir's palace, where he met with the bereaved families.

BUT a Professor of Peace Studies and former Wazirin Katsina, Sani Abubakar Lugga has lamented that, unlike the South, the northern part of the country is not doing enough in the area of tack-

ling insecurity.

Lugga stated this in Katsina State while addressing participants at a one-day community engagement event organised by the Coalition of Northern Group (CNG), themed: "Imperative of Popular Participation in Tackling Socioeconomic Challenges Bedeviling Nigeria Through Community Solutions."

The former Wazirin Katsina said more of the security challenges in the country occurs in the North, but the South, which has a less degree of the challenge, has made substantial efforts to address the problem.

