

Bandits abduct Kwara APC chairman's wife, daughter

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Armed bandits have kidnapped the wife and daughter of the chairman of the All Progressives Congress (APC) in Patigi Local Government, Kwara State.

Alhaji Muhammad Swasun's family were abducted late Sunday night in Sakpefu community.

According to eyewitnesses, the attackers stormed the area around 11 p.m., with sporadic shootings apparently to scare off "uninvited" guests, before heading to the chairman's residence.

The assailants reportedly forced their way inside and whisked away his wife, Hajia Fatima, and daughter, Amina.

Local vigilantes, who arrived late, are said to have mobilised in search of the victims, but there is no word yet on their rescue.

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This latest attack comes just days after bandits struck Esanti and Lalagi villages in the same Patigi axis, killing a driver and abducting another resident.

In a separate incident on Saturday, armed men invaded Shagbe community in Ifelodun Local Government Area, attacked the palace of the monarch, killed some residents, and abducted others.

Residents say the attackers operated freely for hours despite repeated distress calls to security agencies.

The Kwara State Police Command is yet to issue an official statement on the incidents.