

explained. “On 2nd August, 2014 at about 2300 hours, some unknown gunmen invaded TMT Company in Gujba Local Government Area and stole 218 cows having killed one Shalado Saleh ‘M’ a security guard of same address. On 17.09.2014 at about 0400 hours, following information, a combined team of policemen attached to Tarmuwa Division and local vigilantes trailed the bandits to Kollere village of Tarmuwa and arrested two suspects and made the following recoveries: one AK-47 rifle, 53 rounds of ammunition, one locally made revolver pistol, 118 cows and 38 sheep. The suspects will be charged to court after a detailed investigation,” the police boss stated.

According to him, on September 9, a police patrol team attached to Tarmuwa Division carried out raids following information received from some people and during the robbery suspects were arrested, adding that three dane guns and two machetes were recovered from them. He said some of the suspects, Usman Ari, Zanna Gana, Modu Aisami, Aisami Modu all of Godiram, Tarmuwa Local Government Area, confessed to committing serial armed robbery attacks in the area, including an attack on one Alhaji Mamman Maina on May 5. He said the suspects have been charged to court.

“In Tarmuwa, a combined team of police and Joint Task Force carried out raids in Godoram village, a notorious known den of armed robbers that specialized in robbing traders and travellers, the team came under gunfire from the bandits, the security team immediately returned fire and during the gun battle two armed robbery suspects were killed by the security operatives, 10 suspects were arrested, four motorcycles suspected to have been stolen were recovered. Meanwhile, a manhunt has been intensified to apprehend the bandits that escaped with their rifles.

“On 10 August 2014, a team of policemen attached to Garin Alkali Division engaged a gang of armed robbers numbering about eight with dangerous weapons along Gashua-Bayamari road while robbing some travellers, during the exchange of gun fire, one Ibrahim Gareya, a known notorious armed robber, who has been on the wanted list of the police was gunned down while other suspects fled with bullet wounds, detectives are on the trail of the fleeing suspects,” the police commissioner said.