Two Killed, Bride, Eight Others Abducted In Kaduna Community

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Kaduna – Celebrations gave way to stampede and grief when gunmen struck in Tsohuwar Gwari village in Birnin Gwari, Kaduna State, on Saturday night.

This latest spectacle from a now regular locale of horror witnessed the death of two and the abduction of a bride and eight other persons.

According to eyewitnesses, the abducted bride was being taken to her new home as customs and traditions demanded when the gunmen attacked the town.

The bride and eight of her companions, including friends and relatives, were abducted.

An account claimed that the gunmen shot two people at the spot before abducting others.

The incident reportedly happened on the Funtua Road bordering Birnin Gwari and Katsina.

Reports said three of those abducted managed to escape.

"They killed two people on the spot and kidnapped nine, even though three people were able to escape," a witnessed said.

Aliyu Mukhtar, Spokesman of the Kaduna State Police Command, confirmed the incident but did not give details.

The attack came on the heels of another less than a week in which eleven soldiers were killed by gunmen at their duty post.

Zubairu Gwari, Emir of Birnin Gwari, had on Saturday asked his subjects to defend themselves against invaders.

Birnin Gwari is one of the twenty-three local government areas in Kaduna State and has recently become a major flashpoint where gunmen are reported to operate with impunity.