

# Two Killed In Foiled Kidnap Attempt In Kaduna



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Residents of Juji community in Chikun local Government Area of Kaduna State have continued to count their losses as armed men have turned the community to their rendezvous.

Juji, though geographically located in Chikun local council, is part of Kaduna town and one of the immediate host communities of Kaduna Refinery and Petrochemical Company (KRPC).

Independent investigations revealed that the community has been under attacks by kidnappers for a longtime.

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Some residents who spoke to Independent disclosed that some of them have had to abandon their personal residence for rented houses outside Juji.

While some have resorted to sleeping in their friend's houses or hotels and go back to their homes in the morning to dress up for either work or business. "Since the gunmen attack and abduct mostly at night", they said.

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Two locales were allegedly shot dead Thursday night, 27th August, when armed

kidnappers stormed the community during a foiled kidnapping attempt.

This came a few days after four (three girls and a boy) JSS 3 students of Prince Academy and a teacher were kidnapped in another axis of the same Chikun local government area of the state. No contact has been made by the kidnappers.

Independent learnt that the kidnappers came around 1100hours Thursday, August 27th shooting sporadically for hours which attracted locales before the arrival of security men.

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Sources said the two youths who had come from neighbouring Baban-Saura to assist in foiling the kidnap of their neighbours were shot dead by the angry criminals.

"We had a terrible experience last night around 11 pm. The kidnappers came again but we resisted despite the intimidation because they were shooting continuously for hours."

"We have been living in fear in Juji. They have been kidnapping us for ransom. We have made up our mind to resist all manners of criminal intention against us here in

Juji no matter the intimidation.”

“I think they rely on the poor road network and fast forest behind KRPC. They failed this time as they were unable to kidnap, anyone”, the source said.

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Another resident (name withheld) disclosed to independent that he had put up his house for sale but stated that no one is willing to buy as the news of frequent attacks by gunmen In the area is known by many in the state.

“I saved all I had to build my house, but I had to go rent a room outside Juji to prevent my family from being kidnapped by these gunmen.”

Efforts to confirm the development from the Police Public Relations Officer for the Kaduna State Police Command, ASP Mohammed Jalige failed as the telephone was busy.

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