

Bandits Kill 10, Kidnap 3 In Kaduna, Kwara

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Bandits have killed nine farmers and kidnapped three others in Unguwar Danko near Dogon Dawa village of Birnin Gwari local government area of Kaduna State.

It was gathered that the farmers were working on their farms when the bandits appeared suddenly and started shooting at any one in sight.

A State House of Assembly member-elect representing Kakangi Constituency, Yahaya Musa, confirmed the incident, saying all those killed were farmers and that those who sustained gunshot injuries were rushed to hospitals for treatment.

"Yes, it was confirmed to me this Sunday morning that nine farmers were killed by bandits at Unguwar Danko near Dogon Dawa village on Saturday afternoon and others sustained gunshot injuries," he said.

According to him, some villagers, who were angry, confronted the bandits, leading to some villagers sustaining gunshot injuries.

A source confirmed that the

whereabouts of about three farmers is unknown after the attack.

Meanwhile, Kaduna State police public relations officer, Mohammed Jalige did not pick his calls and failed to return the missed calls as at the time of filing the report.

In Kwara State, gunmen invaded two communities in Baruten local government area of Kwara State, killing one person in the process.

Sources said that the gunmen also carted away huge cash and phones during the operation.

LEADERSHIP gathered that the first attack by the gunmen took place in Gure community while the latest happened last Saturday at Boriya community.

It was also learnt that the first attack which occurred in the Gure community last week left one person dead.

The chairman of Baruten local government, AbdulRasheed Lafia, confirmed that one person was killed during the attack that took place in Gure.

The spokesman of Kwara State Police Command, Okasanmi Ajayi described the latest incident "as an



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armed robbery attack on a trader in Boriya, where money and handsets were stolen. No death, no injury and it wasn't an attack on a community against another as far as the command is aware."

The speaker of the state House of Assembly, Hon Yakubu Danladi-Salihi who hails from Baruten LGA, condemned the attacks in both communities.

Danladi-Salihi, in a statement issued on Saturday, assured that the government would do everything

possible to avert recurrence of the unfortunate incidents.

The speaker also urged residents of the areas to be vigilant and report any suspicious movements to security agents.

"My heart is heavy in the wake of recent attacks that have occurred in some of our communities. We understand the pain and suffering that these attacks have caused to the affected individuals and families. And we want to assure you that the government is taking prompt action to avert any future occurrences.

"We also condemn these attacks in the strongest terms possible and we assure you that as representatives, we are doing everything within our power to ensure that those responsible for these attacks are apprehended and brought to justice.

"This is because we understand the importance of ensuring the safety and security of our citizens. We will not rest until we have put in place measures that will prevent any future occurrences of such attacks", he said in a statement signed by his chief press secretary, Sheu Yusuf.