



Gunmen kill Suswam's brother, aide

- Bandits kill 6 in Kaduna councils
- 50 passengers abducted in Niger

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GUNMEN have killed Terkula Suswam, the elder brother of former Benue State Governor Gabriel Suswam.

They also killed his aide in an attack that occurred at Anyin in Gaambetiev of Logo Local Government Area at about 8.40 pm.

An eyewitness said the late Suswam was working outside his compound when a Toyota car, popular known as "Dog Nyash" approached.

The source said the victim suspected the vehicle's occupants to be gunmen and attempt to run into the compound before he was shot.

The gunmen also killed his aide who was with him.

Also yesterday, bandits killed six persons in Igabi and Kauru local government areas of Kaduna State.

Kaduna State Commissioner for Internal Security and Home Affairs Samuel Aruwan said several bandits were killed in air missions conducted over Birnin Gwari, Giwa, Igabi, Chikun and Southern Kaduna.

He said: "In Igabi local government area, armed bandits barricaded the Birnin Yero-Tami road, and killed one Hus-saini Suleiman Dari.

"One Dahiru Saidu was left injured and is now receiving treatment in a hospital.

"At Gwada village, Igabi local government area, an attack

by gunmen left two persons, Yahuza Sale and Garba Sule, dead.

"In another incident, armed bandits invaded Ungwan Kure, and killed two residents, Mohammed Sani Suleiman and Yahuza Sale."

In Niger, bandits abducted 50 people, including 27 passengers in three commercial vehicles, in various parts of Niger State.

The bandits were said to have blocked the road at Kundu town a few kilometres from Zungeru town along the Teginia-Minna Road in Niger State.

Armed bandits also kidnapped an unknown number of villagers at Gidigori in Rafi Local Government Area. The bandits burnt five cars and carted away valuables.

A senior government official said nothing has been heard from the bandits to enable the authorities to know the identities of those kidnapped.

In another incident, one person was killed while several others were kidnapped when bandits raided Manta town in the Shiroro local government on Monday evening.

The bandits ransacked the houses of the villagers, taking away foodstuff and other valuables items.

Niger State Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO) DSP Wasiu Abiodun did not respond to calls or messages on the incidents.