

Boy, 4, drowns in well in Kano

A FOUR-year-old boy drowned in a well at Dawanau Ilesha Nawawu in Dawakin Tofa Local Government Area of Kano State on Monday.

Spokesman of the Kano State Fire Service, Alhaji Saminu Abdullahi, confirmed the accident yesterday in Kano.

"We received a distress call at about 4:55 p.m. from one Aminu Sani-Sha'aibu and sent our rescue team to the scene at about 5:20 p.m.," he said.

He added that the boy was brought out of the well dead and that the incident was being investigated.

Abdullahi added that the corpse had been handed over to the ward head of Ilesha Nawawu, Malam Musa Habibu.

Gunmen kill seven family members, 17 others in fresh Kaduna attack

G UNMEN have killed seven members of the same family during an attack on Sabon Birnin Birnin Village in Igabi Local Government Area of Kaduna State.

The Kaduna State Commissioner for Internal Security and Home Affairs, Samuel Aruwan, confirmed this to reporters, saying that security agencies are working hard to contain the attacks and also get an update on the number of casualties.

According to residents, the incident occurred on Monday night when the bandits in their large numbers invaded the community and started shooting sporadically, killing the family members in the process.

Police authorities are, however, yet to respond to the incident. But a community leader, Bello Musa, told reporters that many residents of the village have fled from their homes due to fear of being attacked or killed by the marauding bandits.

He, however, appealed to the Federal Government to deploy more troops to Igabi and other troubled zones in Kaduna State in order to protect the people from further attacks.

The gunmen carried out a similar attack on 13 other villages in Kerawa Ward in Igabi Local Government Area, killing no fewer than 17 people.

According to a resident of the community, the attacks were carried out simultaneously in the villages.