

# Bandits kill three, abduct scores in Kaduna



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Three persons were killed and many were abducted in a bandits' attack on Sabonlayi, Birnin-Gwari Local Government Council of [Kaduna State](#).

The kidnapped persons were said to be farmers and travellers.

A community leader, Sallau Ibrahim, said the attackers stormed the community around 12pm yesterday and unleashed terror on the residents.

“They killed three farmers –Anas Sabonlayi, Abubakar Dankibiya, and Harisu Unguwar Lemu,” he said.

According to him, the attack was a reaction to an ongoing military operation in the troubled parts of the Birnin-Gwari council.

It was gathered that the travellers were coming from the western part to Birnin-Gwari Market for the weekly Thursday trade and commerce.

“They kidnapped some of the traders/travellers on their way to the market. For about two weeks the farmers didn’t go to farm in the area. Today they decided to go they were attacked and kidnapped,” Ibrahim said.

It was gathered that the killed persons were buried around 4:30 pm yesterday according to Islamic rites.

Chairman of the Birnin Gwari Emirate Progressive Union (BEPU), Usman Kasai, confirmed the incident, saying: “They killed three people. Many were abducted. We are trying to know how many are in the forest with the bandits.”

Kaduna State Police Command’s Public Relations Officer (PPRO), Muhammad Jalige, said he was yet to receive the report.

He promised to contact the Area Commander in charge of Birnin Gwari and revert to our correspondent, which he never did till press time.