

Suspected bandits kill three in Sokoto

THE police in Sokoto State have confirmed an attack carried out by suspected bandits that claimed the lives of three persons and left other persons injured at Soro community in Binji Local Government.

Police spokesman ASP Ahmad Rufai, while confirming the attack, said gunmen suspected to be bandits launched attack on Soro community, but men of the police command with the support of military operatives repelled the attack.

He, however, said the bandits out of frustration set some houses on fire as a result of which three of the residents lost their lives, while a few others sustained injuries.

Sources in the affected village said the marauders also abducted several others and set some places on fire.

The sources said members of the vigilance groups carried out a reprisal on a Fulani community, a situation that forced the police commissioner to intervene and initiate a dialogue among residents of the affected areas.