

Bandits kill 15 in Zamfara

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O fewer than 15 people were killed by suspected bandits who raided Tofa village of Dansadau Emirate in Maru Local Government Area of Zamfara State on Saturday.

Nigerian Tribune gathered from a source in the village that over 200 suspected bandits invaded the community and carried out the attack, which also left several people injured.

A survivor said three days before the attack, they had

reported to security agencies of a likely attack on the community, but no action was taken to forestall it.

The source said apart from those killed, the injured had been admitted at the Dansadau General Hospital.

He said: "The gunmen ar-

rived Tofa village during the night on Saturday and started shooting indiscriminately. Some residents who came out to confront the bandits were shot and this lead to the killing of 15 people."

When contacted, the state Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO), SP Shehu

Mohammed, confirmed the incident.

Mohammed, however, said that 10 people were killed during the attack.

He said the Commissioner of Police had ordered for the immediate deployment of more police personnel in the area.