

Bandits kill 23 in Kaduna

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areas occurred around Kaduna State's boundaries with neighbouring states.

BANDITS have killed 23 people across five local government areas of Kaduna State within the last 24 hours.

① "For instance, in Birnin Gwari Local Government, 10 people were killed by bandits at Ungwan Gajere, Kutemeshi ward and three persons were injured during the attack.

② "In Igabi Local Government Area, the bandits killed one Dayyabu Yahuza near Gidan Kurmi village.

③ "In Giwa Local Government Area, bandits invaded Janbaba village, killing one Yakubu Sule."

④ Also, the statement said in Kishisho village of Kauru

Local Government Area, gunmen suspected to be from a neighbouring state killed five persons and in Chikun Local Government Area, another five were killed by bandits in Gwagwada-Kasaya village in Kunai ward.

⑤ "Similarly, in Agwa, Chikun Local Government Area, one Bitrus Joseph was shot dead in an attack. However, one bandit was also killed near Bugai, when members of the community repelled the attack."

While receiving the reports, the state governor, Mallam Nasir el-Rufai, ex-

pressed sadness over the attacks.

He sent his condolences to the families that lost their loved ones as he offered prayers for the repose of the souls of the slain and a speedy recovery of the injured.

"At the time of this security update, the air platforms of the Nigerian Air Force are trailing and engaging bandits in some locations in Chikun, Birnin Gwari, Giwa and Igabi local government areas, and citizens will be briefed upon the receipt of operational feedback," the statement read.

The statement reads: "The attacks on soft targets in these local government