

20 killed in Kaduna, Sokoto

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THE military and other security agencies have reported the killing of 10 people in Zangon Kataf and Chikun local government areas of Kaduna State.

This was contained in a statement issued by the state Commissioner for In-

ternal Security and Home Affairs, Samuel Aruwan, on Monday.

The statement disclosed that Kurmin Gandu village was attacked in Zangon Kataf by the armed bandits, adding that five persons were killed.

The names of the deceased are Ishaya Aboi, Regina Ishaya, Goodluck Dauda, Joseph

Adamu, and Hassan Joseph.

In addition, the statement revealed that 10 houses, two motorcycles and 50 bags of ginger were set ablaze.

"Some dry season farmers lost water pumping machines and other valuables around the Zango Urban general area," the statement said.

According to the statement, some survivors of the

attack are recuperating in hospital.

"In addition, it took the military personnel hours to contain what would have resulted in further violence in the general area.

Similarly, security agencies reported that armed bandits attacked Sabon Gayan village in Chikun Local Government Area and killed four people:

Ashahabu Abubakar, Ado Rilwanu; Sabo Iliya and Man-naseh Matthias Danjuma.

As of the time of filing this report, troops of Operation Thunder Strike were combing identified criminal hideouts in the Sabon Gayan area, following reports that many bandits sustained bullet wounds.

In another incident, bandits attacked Ungwan Turai, also in Chikun Local Government Area, and killed one Ayuba Waziri.

Receiving the reports, the state governor, Nasir el-Rufai, expressed sadness over the attacks and condoled with the families of those killed, while praying for the repose of their souls and wished those injured quick recovery.

Meanwhile, gunmen have attacked Amarawa village in Chikun Local Government Area of Sokoto State on Monday, killing 10 people while others sustained injuries.

Nigerian Tribune gathered that the locals have attempt-

ed to stop the gunmen from abducting a wealthy businessman who was a resident of the community.

"The gunmen who came on motorbikes, had warned them to stay away. but the community members tried to free the man.

"But the gunmen possessed superior weapons and they overpowered the locals, killing many of the villagers.

However, it was gathered that the gunmen succeeded and whisked away the businessman.

At the time of filing this report, a government house statement said, governor Aminu Tambuwal had ordered for the closure of all boarding schools that are closed to the boarder for the next one week.

The statement said the governor took the decision in order to allow security operatives to assess the situation and explore ways to prevent the schools from future attack.



From left, Special Adviser to the Governor on Transportation, Mr Oluwatoyin Fayinka; Commissioner of Police, Mr Hakeem Odumosu and the Commissioner for Information and Strategy, Mr Gbenga Omotoso, during the monitoring of the traffic situation in the Apapa corridor by a task force team raised by the Lagos State government, on Monday.

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