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Gunmen kill patent medicine operator after kidnap attempt in Bauchi

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GUNMEN believed to be kidnappers have killed a 40-year-old man, Tasiu Abdulkareem Tilde, while attempting to kidnap him in Bauchi.

Information from Tilden Fulani village, which is about 100 kilometers from Bauchi, close to Jos, has

it that the late Tilde, popularly called 'Mai Kemisi,' was attacked by the gunmen inside his patent medicine store in the village on Tuesday evening.

An eyewitness told *Nigerian Tribune* that the gunmen stormed the area shooting sporadically to scare people away as they

attempted to carry out their operation.

It was in the process that Tilde was shot, while the gunmen escaped from the area.

Confirming the incident to *Nigerian Tribune*, the Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO) in the state, SP Ahmed Wakili, said "some yet-to-be identified gunmen

stormed Tilden Fulani in Toro Local Government Area (LGA) on Tuesday, and their main mission was to kidnap their target, one Tasiu Abdulkareem Tilde, who was operating his business in the area.

According to the police spokesperson, the gunmen tried to abduct Tilde, but he

resisted and in the process, he was shot in the chest several times, while the gunmen escaped from the scene.

The police spokesperson added that, "a good Samaritan put a distress call through to our patrol team in the area, which immediately mobilised to the scene, but before they got there, the

suspected kidnappers had fled, leaving their victim in a pool of blood.

"The patrol team then evacuated the victim to the Toro General Hospital, where on arrival, a medical doctor on duty certified him dead. Investigation is, however, ongoing to apprehend the suspects."