

# Village head, five others killed by bandits in Katsina

## Three killed in fresh Kaduna violence

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② BANDITS have attacked some villages in Musawa and Matazu local government areas of Katsina State, killing a village head and five others, while several houses were set ablaze.

③ This is just as three persons were killed in fresh violence in Zango Kataf Local Government Area of Kaduna State.

In Katsina, the *Katsina Post* reported that the bandits stormed the villages on Thursday and left on Saturday night.

② It was gathered that the bandits stormed some villages in Musawa Local Government Area at about 8:30 p.m. on Thursday, where they stole hundreds of animals and burnt down some houses.

According to reports, the bandits proceeded to Dugul

village, under Mazoji ward

in Matazu Local Government Area on Friday night, where they killed the village head, Mallam Rabi, and four others.

Source also revealed that the bandits burnt several houses in Matazu and stole hundreds of animals belonging to the villagers.

However, it was gathered at Gidan Mamman village in Musawa local government area that as the villagers came out to resist the onslaught of the bandits, one villager was killed.

Meanwhile, in the early hours of Monday, hundreds of youths staged a protest to express their dismay over the spate of kidnappings in Yantumaki village of Danmusa Local Government Area of the state.

The protesters blocked the Kankara and Dutsinma highways, preventing motorists from plying the busy

routes.

Some of the protesters said due to the incessant attacks on their villages, several residents had relocated to the cities, abandoning their properties.

A protester, Abubakar Yantumaki, said the state government had been overwhelmed by the security situation, adding that, "if the government cannot secure the people, it should give us the go ahead to defend ourselves.

"We are warriors. We have people who can resist them [bandits] but we don't know what the government is up to. Things are getting out of hand."

③ In Kaduna, the state government said it has received a report detailing an attack in Goran Gida, Gora District of Zangon Kataf Local Government Area, which left three residents dead and one injured.

According to a statement issued by the Commissioner for Internal Security and Home Affairs, Samuel Aruwan, on Monday, some unidentified attackers entered the village late last night (Sunday) and killed the following persons: Amos Bulus, Bulus Swam and Simon Akut.

"One Kezia (full name unknown) was injured and is receiving treatment, while a car was burnt by the assailants.

"The acting governor, Dr Hadiza Balarabe, received the report with sadness and condemned the mindless attack on innocent citizens.

"She sent condolences to the families of the deceased and prayed for the repose of their souls. The acting governor also wished the injured citizen quick recovery.

"Security agencies are sustaining patrols in the area," the statement declared.