Mob sets ablaze 13 bandits in Sokoto

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It was gathered that the bandits had invaded the

town around 8.00pm on Friday where they killed two people, including a shop owner.

However, on Saturday morning, angry youths joined police officers from the area to go after the bandits and as a result 13 of the suspected bandits were apprehended in Tangaza forest and brought to the divisional police headquarters.

A villager, who pleaded for anonymity disclosed that when the bandits were brought into the town, residents followed the team to the divisional police station and demanded that the bandits be killed in their presence.

It was learnt that despite pleas from the DPO (Divisional Police Officer) and the local government chairman, the villagers insisted that if the policemen did not kill the bandits in their presence, they would burn down the police station.

The angry mob subsequently overpowered the police and killed all the suspects whose corpses were later burnt.

The spokesman for the Sokoto Police Command, ASP Sanusi Abubakar, confirmed the incident but refused to give details.