

Bandits kill 12, set police station ablaze in Zamfara

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SUSPECTED bandits invaded Sakajiki village in Kaura Namoda Local Government of Zamfara State killing 12 people and setting ablaze a police station and two police operational vehicles in the state.

Saturday Tribune gathered that, the armed bandits stormed the village around 9:00 pm on Thursday and operated till around

A resident of the area, Mallam Mohammed, explained that the attack left 12 persons dead while 19 shops and several other houses, including a police station in the area were set ablaze.

According to him, the bandits set ablaze seven vehicles, including two police patrol vans belonging to the mobile police officers deployed to the area.

Another source explained that 12 corpses were recovered, while search for others was still on.

He added that the Police mobile operatives tried their best to repel the attack, but that the bandits over-powered them.

When contacted, the Zamfara Police Public Relations Officer, SP Shehu Muhammad confirmed the incident. According to him, if not for the swift response

of the police operatives, the casualties would have been more than what was recorded.

Shehu maintained that the police commissioner has already deployed additional squad for reinforcement.

He assured that police in Zamfara would redouble effort at ensuring that banditry is wiped out of the state.