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## Bandits kill 30 in fresh attacks in Niger

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BANDITS have again attacked Sarkin Pawa, headquarters of Munyan Local Government Area of Niger State, where they killed about 30 people.

It was gathered that the attacks occurred in Kachiwe village before it spread to other adjoining villages in the area.

The bandits, it was learnt, left Kaduna as a result of the current military onslaught in the state.

According to a resident, the bandits, who arrived on motorcycles on Tuesday, were fully armed and started shooting sporadically, killing several people.

It was gathered that from Kachiwe village, the bandits moved to adjoining communities where they continued their attacks.

Secretary to the Niger State Government, Alhaji Ahmed

Ibrahim Matane, confirmed the attack in an interview with newsmen.

Although he did not give the actual number of those who were killed, he said the state government was on top of the situation in conjunction with security operatives.

He said government was not leaving any stone unturned in its efforts at ridding the state of crime.

He appealed to the people of the state to provide security agencies with credible information in order to succeed in their assignments.

Matane also called on the Federal Government to come to the rescue of the state.

Also, the state Commissioner of Police, Monday Bala Kuryas, confirmed the attack, just as he added that the police had taken steps towards tracking down the perpetrators.

**Air Force rescues**