

12 Police kill two bandits, recover two rifles in Kaduna

THE police command in Kaduna State said its operatives have killed two bandits and recovered two AK 47 assault rifles in the Birnin Gwari axis, on Tuesday.

According to the *News Agency of Nigeria (NAN)*, spokesperson for the command, ASP Mohammed Jalige, confirmed the development in a statement on Thursday in Kaduna.

Jalige said: "In furtherance to its sustained onslaught against banditry in Kaduna, particularly Birnin Gwari axis, the command on Tuesday, May 31, recorded another success.

"This involved neutralising two bandits and recovering two AK-47 assault rifles, while several other bandits sustained bullet wounds."

According to him, the

operation followed distress information it received on the same date, at about 4:00 p.m., that some bandits, in large numbers, had attacked Kimdi village, of Birnin Gwari LGA, "in their ignoble mission to kidnap people.

"The command immediately dispatched a nearby team of crack operatives to the location to repel the attackers and an exchange of fire ensued, where two of the bandits were neutralised and two AK-47 assault rifles recovered.

"The command is not unmindful of the security challenges, particularly around Birnin Gwari axis, and alongside the state government and other security agencies, it is working to contain bandits."