

Gunmen attack Sokoto village, kill three policemen, three others

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GUNMEN on Monday stormed Yarbulutu village in Sabon Birni Local Government Area of Sokoto State, and killed six persons, including three policemen.

A source within the local government who spoke with

the *Nigerian Tribune* said the gunmen, suspected to be bandits, on Monday afternoon attacked Yarbulutu village market where they killed three policemen and set their vehicles ablaze.

The source said the gunmen also killed three traders during the attack.

He added that the gunmen, who came on motorcycles, shot at the traders in the weekly market, which made others transacting businesses scamper for safety.

Following the attack on the market, policemen who were at a nearby checkpoint rushed to scene and engaged

the gunmen, which resulted in the death of the three officers, just as the hoodlums set their two operational vehicles on fire.

A resident of the village, Shayau Garba, expressed concern over constant attacks on communities in the area.

on Tuesday after they were from a burial.

He said Sabon Birni and Isa local government areas in the eastern part of the state have been held to ransom by bandits and kidnappers operating in Zamfara and parts of Sokoto.

The state Police Public Relations Officer, DSP Sanusi Abubakar, said the com-

mand had received the report of the attack, just as he added that operatives of the command were already on the trail of the attackers.

Just last week, gunmen attacked and killed six persons in a village in Goronyo Local Government Area of the state.