

...in Lagos, on Wednesday.

② Bandits kill six vigilantes in Kaduna community kidnap three in Niger

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SUSPECTED bandits on Tuesday afternoon killed six vigilantes at Awaro check-point in Western part of Birnin-Gwari, Kaduna State.

A member of the vigilante group in the area, Usman Babangida, in an interview on Wednesday, said the suspected bandits attacked the check point on Tuesday around 4:00 p.m.

"The incident happened at 4:00 p.m when they were passing through the Awaro check point and attacked the local vigilantes on sighting them.

"They killed all the six vigilante members on the spot, some villagers discovered their bodies and later conveyed them to the town.

Babangida disclosed that the deceased had since been buried after a funeral service was conducted for them in line with Islamic rites.

He also said the attack happened at the same time bandits were attacking a nearby community called Bugai.

As at the time of filing the report, there was no official statement from either the police or the state government.

The recent attack was took

place barely three days after an armoured police vehicle was set ablaze by suspected bandits in another village in Birnin Gwari Local Government Area of the state.

Meanwhile, Three persons have been abducted by some suspected bandits in Beji town, Bosso Local Government Area, Niger State.

The victims were said to have been abducted in the early hours of Wednesday by the suspected bandits in a situation that could best be described as a helpless situation.

Investigation by Nigerian Tribune revealed that the bandits were

said to have entered the town around 1:00a.m on Wednesday when the residents of the community were still asleep as the suspected bandits who were said to have been armed with weapons, were allegedly shooting in the air for about two hours with a view to instill fears into the people before executing their criminal activities.

However, efforts by Nigerian Tribune to contact the state's Police Public Relations Officer(PPRO), DSP Wasiu Abiodun, for confirmation of the incident failed as his lines did not to through.