

Bandits kill one, kidnap 20 in Niger

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BANDITS have attacked some communities in the Borgu Local Government Area of Niger State, killing one person, abducting 20 others.

The Imam of the Emir's Palace Mosque, one Mallam Habibu, was among those kidnapped.

The incident was said to have occurred at about 5.30pm on Saturday.

The bandits who rode on motorcycles displayed sophisticated guns and other weapons.

An eyewitness said, “They blocked the road from Ibbi to New Bussa and attacked the villagers in both communities.

“The bandits killed one person and kidnapped 20 others, while three people were injured.”

The Emir, Alhaji Mohammed Haliru Dantoro, on Monday summoned an emergency security meeting with all security chiefs in the area on how to secure the release of those kidnapped with a similar meeting slated for Tuesday with all district and village heads.

The police have yet to confirm the incident.

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