

## Bandits kill two, abduct Katsina APC chief, five others

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Katsina State Governor, Aminu Masari

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BANDITS on Friday and Saturday night struck in two local government areas in Katsina State during which they killed two victims and abducted six persons, including the All Progressives Congress Chairman for Matazu Local Government Area of the state, Alhaji Yushau Dissi.

Residents revealed that the bandits, in separate attacks, struck at Kandawa, Shekawa and Dan-Alhaji villages in the Batsari Local Government Area early Friday morning.

It was learnt that the bandits killed one Nuru Lawal and abducted four persons at Kandawa village.

Residents identified those abducted as Basiru Lawal, Rukayya Basiru, Yau Isah and Nana Bello.

Lawal reportedly escaped when the bandits were operating at Shekawa village.

The hoodlums were also said to have rustled large number of cattle in the village during the attack.

Another victim identified as Aminu Mai-Unguwa was reportedly killed at Dan-Alhaji village by the marauders.

The bandits also reportedly struck on Saturday night in Matazu LGA, where they abducted the APC chairman for the council, Alhaji Yushau Dissi, and another unidentified person.

Residents said the gunmen, who stormed the council in large numbers, also gave a three-day ultimatum to one Mallam Danliti Matazu to give them N3m or risk being dealt with.

Danliti Matazu has since reportedly gone underground.

The spokesman for the Katsina Police Command, Gambo Isah, said on the telephone, “I will issue a statement on the incident. Give me time.”

Bandits recently renewed attacks on Katsina communities, a development that has led to the intervention of Federal Government’s Special Forces.

Residents of the state, including Governor Aminu Masari, also last Thursday, engaged in a three-day special prayer to seek God’s intervention on the problem.