

# Eight bandits, two others killed after attacks on Katsina community

Published August 9, 2020



**OLAIDE OYELUDE**

About eight bandits and two villagers were killed after attacks on Zamfarawa village in the Batsari Local Government Area of Katsina State.

According to residents, the bandits stormed the village early Thursday morning during which they killed Shafi'i Suleiman, 65, and Yakubu Idris, 70; both residents of the village. The bandits reportedly rustled some cows too.

It was further learnt that the DPO for the Batsari Division of the state police commanded "Operation Puff Adder" and "Sharan Daji" teams to the village about 1a.m where

they engaged the bandits in a gun duel.

One of the bandits was said to have died during the shootout while the bodies of the remaining seven were later picked up in a bush.

The Spokesman for the police command, SP Gambo Isah, confirmed the incident on Saturday.

He said “On August 6, 2020, about 1am, DPO Batsari Division led “Operation Puff Adder” and “Sharan Daji” to Zamfarawa village Batsari LGA of Katsina State based on the report that bandits numbering over 40, armed with AK 47 rifles, shooting sporadically, attacked the village, killed one Shafi’i Suleiman, M, aged 65yrs, 2. Yakubu Idris, M, aged 70yrs and rustled unspecified number of cows.

“The police team was ambushed by the bandits on their way into the village. Consequently, the team responded and instantly killed one of the hoodlums while others escaped into the forest with bullet wounds. The team succeeded and recovered 30 cows stolen from the village by the bandits.

“Subsequently, on 7/08/2020 search parties led by the DPO and members of the community led by the village head of Zamfarawa recovered additional seven more corpses of the bandits at Barankada village, Batsari LGA of Katsina State.

“The sum of N20,300, empty shells and two live ammunition of 7.62mm, bunch of criminal charms, keys and pair of slippers were recovered from the dead bodies and the scene respectively during search.” Isah said Investigation had commenced on the incident.

**Copyright PUNCH.**

*All rights reserved. This material, and other digital content on this website, may not be reproduced, published, broadcast, rewritten or redistributed in whole or in part without prior express written permission from PUNCH.*

Contact: [theeditor@punchng.com](mailto:theeditor@punchng.com)

DOWNLOAD THE PUNCH NEWS APP NOW ON



Receive Alerts on: Whatsapp: +2349090060943, Twitter: @MobilePunch, BBM:C003D3DC0

Share your story with

us: SMS: +2349090060943, Whatsapp:+2349090060943, Email: [punchonline@punchng.com](mailto:punchonline@punchng.com)



KATSINA BANDITS

## JUST IN

Russia has developed COVID-19 vaccine – Putin

11:11 am

Court strikes out suit against NSIA, MD

10:38 am

Indonesia begins human trials of COVID-19 vaccine

9:47 am

UK sheds further 114,000 jobs in July