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# Attackers kill two attempting to escape kidnap in Kaduna

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Gunmen, on Thursday, shot and killed two persons in Chikaji village in the Igabi Local Government Area of Kaduna State.

It was gathered that the gunmen invaded the residence of one Alhaji Yunusa Gambo in a bid to abduct him alongside one Mallam Surajo.

But when they attempted to escape being kidnapped, the gunmen shot and killed the two men.

The state Commissioner for Internal Security and Home Affairs, Mr Samuel Aruwan, who confirmed the incident, said security operatives had launched an investigation into the attack.

He stated, “The Kaduna State Government received reports of a double homicide following an attempted kidnap at Chikaji village, Igabi LGA.

“Bandits invaded the residence of one Alhaji Yunusa Gambo, a farmer in the village, and attempted to kidnap him along with one Mallam Surajo. They attempted to flee but were shot by the bandits.”

Similarly, the commissioner said troops of the Operation Safe Haven averted what would have been a bloody clash between some herders and farmers in the Jema’a LGA.

He also said four persons have been arrested in connection with the incident while giving the names of those arrested as Alhaji Abdullahi Idi, Gamji Alhaji, Apollos Auta and Matthew Moses.

He said they were arrested for allegedly inciting the public.

Meanwhile, the commissioner has dismissed reports that some Kano traders were kidnapped along Kaduna-Abuja highway.

The commissioner stated this in a statement titled, ‘Kidnapping of Kano traders not on the Kaduna-Abuja Road.’

He said, “The Kaduna State Government wishes to issue clarification on a report alleging that an unspecified number of traders from Kano State were kidnapped on the Kaduna-Abuja Road.

“The federal security agencies operating on the Kaduna-Abuja Road, as at this time, have not reported any such incident.

“Furthermore, from all checks conducted so far by the Kaduna State Government, the alleged kidnapping occurred in another state.”

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