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Five killed in Plateau attacks, Zamiara bandits surrender 28 AK-47 riffles

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Governor Simon Lalong of Plateau State

James Abraham and Maiharaji Altine Gusau

Five people were on Monday killed in the Bassa Local Government Area of Plateau State following a fresh attack by gunmen.

It was learnt that one other person also sustained injuries during the attack and was rushed to hospital.

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occurred in Kishosho and Zirshe communities on Sunday.

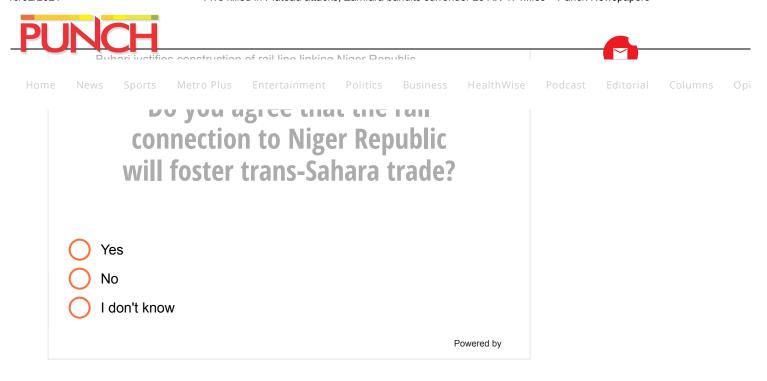
He gave the names of those killed as John Francis, Abbas Gado, Sati Yakubu, Shandy John and Danlami Sunday.

Governor Simon Lalong who also confirmed the development while inaugurating an inter-religious council urged the people to allow peace reign in the council area.

Lalong said, "I am directing the Council to support the Peace Building Agency in finding a lasting solution to renewed herder-farmers clashes in some parts of the state such as Bassa where from last week till yesterday night, we have reports that people have been killed in attacks and reprisals."

Meanwhile, another set of six bandits headed by one Auwalu Daudawa have surrendered 28 AK-47 with 27 magazines and General Machine Gun.

The repentant bandits who swore by the Qur'an during a ceremony at the Government House on Monday declared that they would not go back to banditry.



Daudawa also promised to convince those who were yet to repent to do so.

Receiving the repentant bandits, Governor Bello Matawalle called on all the bandits to come out and accept the peace process initiated by his administration.

He said, "My administration would take proper care of all the bandits that have repented, and I will continue to dialogue with bandits to end banditry in the state."

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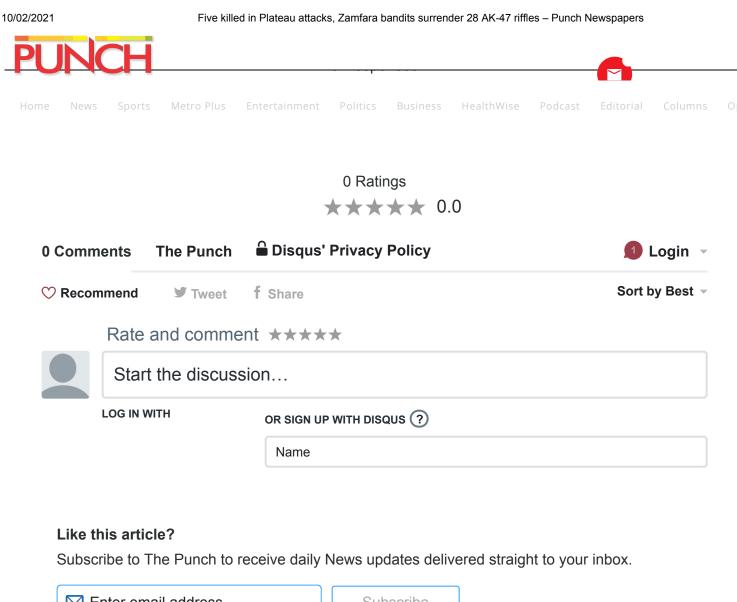
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