

# Gunmen kill 11, raze church, houses in fresh Kaduna attacks

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SOME bandits have invaded the Ungwan Gaida community near Kurmin Kaso in the Chikun Local Government Area of Kaduna, killing eight persons.

Several houses, including the Assemblies of God Church were razed by the bandits who came in large number.

The state Commissioner for Internal Security and Home Affairs, Mr Samuel Aruwan, identified those killed as Samaila Gajere, Bawa Gajere, Bitrus Baba, Umaru Baba, Solomon Samaila, Sambo Kasuwa and Samuila Kasuwa, as well as Gideon Bitrus.

Aruwan said, "Security agencies have reported that bandits attacked Ungwan Gaida community, near Kurmin Kaso, Chikun LGA.

"As of the time of this update, eight residents have been confirmed killed in this attack.

"A building belonging to the Assemblies of God Church was razed by the bandits, along with several houses."

Similarly, the commissioner said the Nigerian Navy troops stationed in the Kujama general area neutralized three bandits and arrested two accomplices after repelling an attack on Wakwodna community, near Kasso village, Chikun local government area.

Meanwhile in another statement, Aruwan said bandits attacked herders settlement at Mararaban Jo's, Rigachikun in Igabi LGA, killing three herders.

The commissioner also said apart from the killing of the herders, an unspecified numbers of cows were rustled by the bandits.

Aruwan gave the names of the victims as Ibrahim Abubakar, Abdullahi Maitashi and Umar Abbas.

He said, "According to the report, the bandits rustled an unspecified number of cows. In the course of this, three of the herders were killed.

"Receiving the report, Governor Nasir El-Rufai expressed sadness at the attacks."