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# Zamfara gov sad as bandits kill nine community guards

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Zamfara State Governor, Dauda Lawal, has expressed his condolences following the killing of nine operatives of the Community Protection Guards, a state-owned security outfit, in the Tsafe Local Government Area of Zamfara state.

In a statement issued on Tuesday by his Senior Special Assistant on Media and Publicity, Sulaiman Idris, the governor confirmed that the security personnel were killed in an ambush by bandits at a checkpoint on the outskirts of Tsafe town.

Lawal condemned the attack, describing it as a "barbaric act" committed by bandits who were on the run due to the ongoing military operations in the state.

He commended the bravery of the CPG operatives and other security forces for their relentless efforts to protect the lives and property of Zamfara residents.



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of our brave CPG members were killed. The ambush on our guards is a cowardly act by bandits who are dispersed and on the run due to sustained onslaughts by our troops across the state," the governor stated.

He assured residents that the state government would continue its renewed offensive against banditry in Zamfara and the entire region, reiterating his administration's commitment to restoring peace and security.

"I want to take this opportunity, on behalf of the government and people of Zamfara, to extend my condolences to the families and loved ones of our brave guards. Their sacrifice will never be forgotten. I hope those injured recover as quickly as possible," he said.

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The governor pledged to provide necessary support to the families of the fallen CPG members, emphasising that the government would stand by them during this difficult period.

Meanwhile, security personnel in Kebbi State have rescued from bandits nine abducted Kanya residents in the Danko Wasagu Local Government Area of Kebbi State.

The Director, Security, Cabinet Office, Abdulrahman Usman Zaga, who disclosed this in Birnin Kebbi on Tuesday, said the gallant team engaged the bandits in a gun duel and forcefully rescued the victims "but one is still in captivity."

He explained that the success story was possible following the consistent efforts of Governor Nasir Idris, in supporting the security agencies with all the necessary tools to achieve results.

"The governor is very keen in providing logistics, allowances and all other motivational support to the security personnel," the director said.

Zaga gave the names of the rescued victims as Alhaji Almustapha Almu, Hajara Maikano, Rukayya Daya, Bello Daya, Fa'iza Maikano, Amina Maikano and Jidah Babangida.

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