

Troops kill 12 bandits, recover livestock in Katsina

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Bandits

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The Katsina State Government on Wednesday announced the successful killing of 12 bandits during a joint security operation in the Kurfi and Safana local government areas of the state.

The Commissioner for Internal Security and Home Affairs, Dr Nasir Mu'azu, announced in a statement made available to newsmen on Wednesday in Katsina.

According to the statement, acting on early morning intelligence reports, security forces swiftly mobilised to counter bandit activities threatening the safety of residents in the areas.

The statement read, "Bandits attacked Rahamawa village via Kuraye District in Charanchi Local Government Area at approximately 5:40 am, severely injuring 60-year-old Alhaji Danmalam and rustling 22 cattle from the community.

"The joint police, army, Community Watch, and vigilante patrol teams immediately pursued the criminals and engaged them in a fierce gun battle at Dutsen Falale in the Kurfi-Safana enclave.

"The coordinated operation resulted in the elimination of 12 bandits and the recovery of five AK-47 rifles, ammunition, along with all 22 rustled cattle.

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"While celebrating this decisive victory against criminal elements, we mourn the loss of one brave vigilante who paid the ultimate price defending his community.

“One soldier sustained injuries during the operation and is receiving medical treatment,” the statement noted.

The government also mourned the victim of the attack, Alhaji Danmalam, who eventually died at Primary Health Care, Charanchi.

“Tragically, Alhaji Danmalam, the initial victim of the attack, succumbed to his injuries at PHC Charanchi.

“On behalf of Governor Dikko Umaru Radda and the people of Katsina State, we sympathise with the families of the deceased and pray to Allah to grant him Al-jannatul Firdaos,” the statement added.