

Bandits kill district police officer, six others in Niger State

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Suspected bandits on Tuesday killed a divisional police officer in Magama Local Government Area of **Niger State** during an attack on Nasko village, the police have said.

Police spokesperson in the state, Wasiu Abiodun, said in a statement that the senior officer, Mohammed Umar, was killed in a gunfight in which two other police officers and four vigilantes lost their lives.

Magama council area is in the part of Niger State being vulnerable to armed bandits' attacks.

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Mohammed Umar

“On 15/03/2022 at about 1: p.m. armed bandits/terrorists invaded Nasko village, Magama LGA of Niger State Police operatives with vigilante members were immediately mobilized by DPO Nasko and engaged the bandits in a fierce gun battle in which some the hoodlums were neutralised and others escaped with gunshot injuries, the police said.

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“Unfortunately, during the gun battle, the DPO, two other policemen, and four vigilante members lost their lives

“The Area Commander, Kotangora immediately drafted reinforcement with the military personnel to the area to forestall break down of law and order