He said: "The South East

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## 3 killed, 8 injured in Zamfara market attack

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AT least three people have been reportedly killed in a fresh attack by bandits in Karakai village, Bungudu Local Government Area of Zamfara state.

According to a local source, the attackers in their dozens stormed the village market around 5.30 pm on Thursday and started shooting, which resulted in the death of the at least three people, while about eight sustained injuries.

The source commended the Emir of Bungudu and notable indigenes of Karakai, whom he said have been commiserating with the families of the dead and rendering assistance to victims of gunshots.

The state Police Public Relation Officer (PPRO),

SP Mohammed Shehu in a statement confirmed the death of two people in the attack.

Shehu said that on July 19, there was sporadic shooting by unknown assailants at the Karakai evening market.

"Police team on market banditry patrol could not exchange fire with the attackers to avoid loss of innocent lives and collateral damage. However, the assailants used the crowd as human shield to escape from the scene. Two persons died from gunshots, while three injured were rushed to the hospital", he said.

Shehu added that investigation has commenced with a view to fish out, arrest and bring to justice the perpetrators of the dastardly act.

He assured that normalcy has been restored with patrol teams keeping vigil in the affected environs.

