

Kaduna: Troops kill 2 bandits, injure others in ambush operations

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Military troops Monday night laid ambush and killed two bandits, while others escaped with gunshot wounds in Kagarko Local Government Area of Kaduna State.

The state Commissioner for Internal Security and Home Affairs, Samuel Aruwan, said: "Troops under the auspices of Operation Thunder Strike on Monday night neutralized two bandits along the Sabon Iche-Kagarko Road, Kagarko local government area.

"According to the operational feedback to the Kaduna State Government, the troops laid an ambush along the route following credible intelligence on the bandits' movement in the area.

"While attempting to invade the road for an operation, the bandits entered the killing zone and the troops opened fire. The bandits returned fire as they beat a hasty retreat.

“After the firefight, the dead bodies of two bandits were retrieved by the troops, with the rest suspected to have escaped with gunshot wounds. The troops suffered no casualties

“Confirmation from local sources revealed that the bandits were, indeed, part of the notorious group terrorizing the area.

“While expressing his elation at the report, Governor Nasir El-Rufai praised the troops’ gallantry and congratulated them for a successful expedition. Aggressive patrols will continue in the general area.

Meanwhile, communities around the area are advised to report individuals seeking medical attention for suspicious injuries to security agencies.

“Citizens are to note that any locals found harbouring or providing medical aid to bandits with bullet wounds will be charged as bandits.”