

# Again, bandits strike in Kaduna communities, kill 6, injure 1

From **Noah Ebije**, Kaduna

**NO** fewer than six persons were killed by bandits yesterday in Igabi and Kauru Local Government Areas of Kaduna State, barely 48 hours after similar incident claimed 10 lives in Zangon Kataf and Chikun LGAs of the State.

The State Governor, Nasir El-Rufai, has again expressed sadness over the bloody attacks in the areas.

The State Commissioner for Internal security and Home Affairs, Samuel Aruwan, said in a statement: "Six persons have been killed in isolated banditry incidents occurring in Igabi and Kauru LGAs, as reported by security agencies.

"In Igabi LGA, armed bandits barricaded the Birnin Yero-Tami road and killed Hussaini Suleiman Dari. Dahiru Saidu, was left injured and is

now receiving treatment in a hospital. At Gwada village, Igabi LGA, an attack by gunmen left two persons, Yahuza Sale and Garba Sule, dead.

"In another incident, armed bandits invaded Ungwan Kure, and killed two

residents, Mohammed Sani Suleiman and Yahuza Sale.

Similarly, armed bandits attacked Amawan Dadi Rugan Jauru settlements in Kauru LGA. One resident, Likita, was shot dead.

"Governor Nasir El-Rufai received the reports with sadness, and sent his condolences to the families of those killed while praying for the repose of their souls. He also wished those injured citizen quick recovery".

## Soldiers foil terrorists' attack on another Borno village

From **Molly Kilete**, Abuja

**THE** Nigerian Army said soldiers fighting the counter terrorism war in the North East have foiled an attempt by the Boko Haram and the Islamic State of West Africa Province (ISWAP) terrorists from attacking Dikwa village in Borno State.

Acting director Army public relations, Brigadier-General Mohammed Yerima, said that the terrorists who stormed the Town in their large num-

ber with gun trucks and motorcycles were resisted from taking over the town with heavy firing by troops of 81 Task Force Battalion with reinforcement from other formations of the Nigerian Army and supported by the Air Task Force Operation, LAFIYA DOLE.

Yerima, in a statement said: "The troops of Operation LAFIYA DOLE have decisively routed elements of Boko Haram Terrorists and their ISWAP counterpart who attempted to infiltrate and attack Dikwa town

in Dikwa Local Government Area of Borno State.

"The terrorist groups who stormed the town in an unconfirmed number of gun trucks and motorcycles were visited with heavy bombardment and overwhelming firepower by troops of 81 Task Force Battalion with reinforcement from other formations of the Nigerian Army and aided by air support of Air Task Force Operation LAFIYA DOLE.

"The terrorists attempted to invade the town to loot food items and other