

Bandits kill Zamfara lawmaker, kidnap son, driver

From Mohammed Munir Nasir, Gusau.

A member of the Zamfara State House of Assembly representing Shinkafi constituency, Alhaji Mohammed G. Ahmed, has been reportedly killed by bandits, on Tuesday night.

It was also gathered that the gunmen, after killing the lawmaker, also abducted his son and the driver.

Director-General of Press and Public Affairs in the state House of As-

sembly, Mustafa Jafaru-Kaura, who confirmed the incident, said it happened on Tuesday, at SHEME in Katsina State, while the deceased and his family were on their way to Kano state.

"He was taking his son to a hospital in Kano. The lawmaker's son and driver were kidnapped by bandits," he said.

The incident was further confirmed by the Clerk of the Zamfara House of Assembly, Alhaji She-

hu Saidu Anka.

Anka said the late lawmaker was killed along the SHEME - Kankara road, in Katsina state, while travelling out of Zamfara state.

Ahmed, who, until his death, was the Chairman

House Committee on Finance and Appropriation, lost his life few hours after attending the official defection of governor Bello Mohammed Matawalle from the People's Democratic Party (PDP) to the All Pro-

gressives Congress (APC), in Gusau, the Zamfara state capital.

The remains of the deceased lawmaker was laid to rest yesterday after funeral prayers in Gusau.

...Attack Ganduje's convoy

From Desmond Mgbah, Kano

A major tragedy was averted on Tuesday, after a gang of bandits attacked a convoy attached to the Gover-

nor of Kano State, Abdullahi Umar Ganduje.

However, the governor was not in the convoy at the time of the siege as he was said to have travelled back to Kano in the same vehicle with the Kano State Governor. Mo-

Zamfara state to attend the formal defection of state governor, Bello Matawalle, to the All Progressives Congress (APC).

About three security men reportedly sustained minor injuries when an ambulance