## Bandits inch closer to Katsina metropolis, kill 4

From **Agaju Madugba**, Katsina

**DAREDEVIL** bandits operating in parts of Katsina State took their bloody campaign some

10 kilometres to the Katsina metropolis, on Sunday night, killing at least four residents of Barawa community in Batagarawa Local Government Area, according to eyewitness accounts.

Authorities at the Katsina State police command have since confirmed the incident.

Batagarawa is one of the two Katsina metropolitan local government areas.

Surviving residents said the

hoodlums stormed the village at about 9pm, on Sunday evening, and operated for several hours without hindrance.

"They didn't kidnap anyone but killed four people, including three men and an elderly woman," an eyewitness said.

Another resident, who survived the attack, said: "I escaped death narrowly because three of the gunmen pointed at my face with their guns and this wound you see on my face is from a rifle after they insisted that I had money in my possession which I denied."

Reports claimed that the bandits, thereafter, embarked on a house-to-house attack and equally looted several shops in the area, apart from rustling some domestic animals.

## ...Elders storm NSCDC hatrs, demand protection

From Joseph Inokotong, Abuja

A delegation of the Katsina State Elders Forum who paid a urged the Corps to work in synergy with other security agencies, in order to achieve the desired goals.

A member of the Forum, Justice Sachg Ma-

ue to do his best in protecting critical infrastructures in the country as spelt out in the NSCDC's core mandates and make life worth living for all residents of the country.