

Hoodlums kill 1, kidnap 25 in Kaduna

From **Sola Ojo**, Kaduna

BANDITS, yesterday morning, killed one local, injured two, and kidnapped 25 others at Ungwar Baka, Agunu Ward in Kachia Local Government Area of Kaduna State.

A source in the community, who spoke to Daily Sun in confidence, said the unwanted visitor, armed with guns and machetes, came calling when locals were still sleeping and launched a coordinated attack on the community.

"Please pray with us. Twenty-five people were kidnapped in Ungwar Baka of Agunu Ward, Kachia LGA in the early hours of today, Tuesday, October 31, 2023. Two people were injured and one person was killed.

"For the deceased, may his soul rest in peace. Those that were injured, we wish them quick recovery, and those that were kidnapped, we pray for their safe return", the source

government area located in Southern Kaduna, where cattle rearing and ginger farming form a significant part of the local council economy.

Findings revealed that the

Ekiti building collapse kills teenager, parents, injure 2 siblings

From **Priscilla Ediare**, Ado-Ekiti

TRAGEDY struck in Igede-Ekiti, Irepodun/Ifelodun Local Government Area of Ekiti State, yesterday, after an old one-storey building collapsed in the town.

A 13-year-old girl was reported to have been dispatched to her early grave in the incident which happened in the early hours of yesterday.

Also, occupants of the building, including the parents of the deceased and two other siblings, were seriously injured in the unfortunate incident and were rushed to the Ekiti State Specialist Hospital, Iyin-Ekiti, for treatment.

A source said the deceased

Ungwar Baka community is experiencing such an invasion for the third time, while the council itself has survived several similar unrests in the past.

Both the Kaduna State Po-

lice Command and the Ministry for Internal Security and Home Affairs were yet to make any public statement on the development at the time of filing this report.

was a student of a public secondary school in the town and her father, a pastor of a church. The source added that the body of the late teenager had been deposited at the morgue of the hospital.

Meanwhile, Governor Biodun Oyeibanji has expressed grief over the death of the deceased, describing the incident as devastating and agonising, calling on occupants of dilapidated buildings across the state to relocate to safeguard their lives.

The governor made the remarks when he visited the site of the building collapse.

The governor, represented by his Deputy, Chief (Mrs) Monisade Afuye, also visited Adeyinka Adebayo General

Hospital, Iyin-Ekiti, where some of the victims were receiving medicare, to sympathise and wish them quick recuperation.

Commenting on the incident, Oyeibanji revealed that the government would foot the medical bills of the victims, while directing the Ekiti State Emergency Management Agency (EKSEMA) to arrange for another habitable residence for the embattled family.

Oyeibanji said he had directed the Commissioner for Health, Dr Oyeibanji Filani, to oversee the medical treatment of the victims and ensure they are given the best, to fast-track their full recovery.

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