

Zamfara Police raid bandits' enclave, neutralise many, recover arms

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The Zamfara State Police Command has said that it recovered 8 AK-47, 1 GPMG, Rocket Launcher after neutralising unidentified number of bandits at their hideout near Bayan Ruwa forest in Maradun Local Government Area of the state, repelled attack on community and rescued kidnap victims as well.

This was disclosed by the State Commissioner of Police, CP Ayuba Elkana at the Police Command headquarters Gusau yesterday, saying the Police Tactical Team attached to the area received credible information about the presence of bandits at the suspected hideout upon which they immediately rushed and raided the enclave.

"On December 15, 2021 our Police Tactical Operatives on bush clearance operation at Maradun forest, acted on intelligence information, stormed a suspected bandit's hideout near Bayan Ruwa. The operatives had an encounter with the hoodlums thereby neutralising many of them while others escaped with possible gunshot wounds.

"In the course of combing and searching the scene after the prolonged gun battle, 8 AK-47 rifles, one General Purpose Machine Gun (GPMG), one Rocket launcher, one Rocket and five magazines were recovered by the operatives."

In another development, the Commissioner further stated that, on December 19, 2021, Police Tactical operatives led by DPO Bungudu responded to a distress call at Tudun Masu village under Karakkai district of Bungudu Local Government Area, where large number of armed bandits stormed the village and rustled 69 cows.