## Sokoto Police Confirm Killing of Village Head, Two Others By Bandits

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Sokoto State Police Command yesterday confirmed that gunmen attacked a community in Illela Local Government Area of the state

According to the state Police Public Relations Officer, ASP Abubakar Sanusi, the gunmen suspected to be bandits attacked a community in Sokoto killing the village head of Tunga and two others in Illela LGA of the state on Wednesday.

He said the command had dispatched men of Operation Puff Adder to the areas

Also a source who spoke with THISDAY, confirmed that the bandits attacked the village during the sunset prayer on Wednesday.

He further disclosed that the attackers operated unchallenged for more than an hour before they left. In a related development, THISDAY also gathered that, Nasarawa village in Sabon Birni Local Government Area was attacked same day but no life was lost. A resident of the community, Ibrahim Adamu, who spoke with THISDAY, said the attackers came by foot around 10:30pm.

"They ransacked all our houses, collecting money and other materials.

"They also flogged married women whose husbands fled the attack," he said

Adamu added that nobody was killed or kidnapped in the area but they rustled all their animals.

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