Gunmen kill vigilante head, abduct 8 in Katsina

GUNMEN suspected to be bandits, Sunday night, reportedly killed the leader of a vigilante group in Maigora town in Faskari Local Government Area of Katsina State, Ummaru Balli.

The bandits also allegedly abducted eight persons during the attack, which took place in Rimi village in Sabuwa Local Government Area of the state.

It was learned that Balli had led other vigilante members to Rimi to tackle the bandits operating there on the night of the incident.

Residents further disclosed that the vigilante group engaged the bandits in a gun duel, leading to the death of Balli.

The bandits reportedly left for the forest with the eight abducted victims. Balli has since been buried according to Muslim rites.

Spokesman for Katsina police command, Gambo Isah, was yet to react to the incident.

Governor Aminu Masari's special adviser on security, Ibrahim Katsina, did not pick his calls and was yet to respond to the SMS sent to him.