

# Police dislodge bandits from Zamfara forest, neutralises 2

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**P**OLICE operatives in Zamfara State yesterday said it had neutralized two armed bandits in a raid on the bandits' enclave in Mutu Forest under Tsafe Local government area of the state.

The Police also said operatives recovered 22 rounds of live ammunition from the bandits during the onslaught.

The Command's spokesman, Mohammed Shehu who confirmed the development in statement said it received a distress call that the bandits barricaded the Gusau - Tsafe -

Funtua roads and kidnapped victims to their enclave.

Shehu said upon receiving the information, the command deployed its men who immediately swung into action to dislodge the bandits.

According to him, "On 4th January, 2022, Police Special Forces deployed along Gusau - Tsafe - Funtua Road, while on routine confidence building patrol received a distress call that, armed bandits on seven motorcycles with sophisticated weapons were sighted coming to attack some communities, block the road and kidnap innocent commuters and proceed to their enclave at Mutu Forest under Tsafe LGA. On receiving the distress, the Police operatives

swung into action and mobilized to the bandits' location where a serious gun duel ensued.

"The Police operatives successfully dislodged the hoodlums, and as result, two bandits were fatally injured while others escaped with a possible gunshot wounds."

"Exhibits recovered include 22 rounds of live ammunition, one Operational Motorcycle and two Tecno Handset belonging to the bandits were recovered from the scene. The Command appreciated the People of Zamfara State for their unalloyed Collaboration and synergy with the Police and other security agencies, and urged them to sustain the tempo," SP Shehu however stated.