

## Katsina: Residents flee as bandits kill 8, abduct scores in renewed attacks



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**There was tension in Kankara Local Government Area of Katsina State after armed bandits reportedly killed at least eight people, abducted scores and wounded several others between Friday and yesterday.**

**“Earlier this morning (yesterday), they (bandits) drove off one truck (pick-up) full of people, and now they’ve driven off another full of people,” a source in the area told Sunday Vanguard. “To escape these ruthless criminals, many villagers have fled into the forest and some of them have been killed in the process.”**

**It was learnt that the hoodlums led their numerous captives to their hideouts as many of the residents continued to run for their lives. A credible source revealed that the bandits in the attacks targeted several communities in the area.**

**The source attributed the attacks to a bandit kingpin, whom he identified as Bambara of Gidan Gamji. The bandit, according to him, has strong presence in Powa, Jeka, and Masalawa.**

**Katsina Police Command could not be reached to confirm the attacks as of the time of filing this report.**