Murder of hunchback: **Kogi police nab 5**

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COGI State Police command has arrested five persons for alleging killing a man with hunch back for money ritual in Anyigba, Dekina Local Government Area of the state.

The arrested suspects are, Shagari Yakubu, Joseph Aruwa, Nyor Apera, Kyambe Ambe and Danjuma Adaji.

Parading the suspects before newsmen at the police headquarters in Lokoja, the

state Police Commissioner, Alhaji Abdullahi Magaji, who gave the name of the murdered hunch back as Nathaniel Muyam, said the hunchback was kidnapped in Gboko, Benue State and taken to Anyigba where he was killed for the money ritual.

He said the suspects were arrested following useful information given to the police by members of the public who noticed their unusual movement, noting that the suspects during interrogation said that one Mallam

Yasi Giwa contracted them to carried out the act.

Magaji however said the alleged sponsor of the crime is at large, adding that police detectives are already on his trail, promising that after the end of police investigation the suspects would be charged to court for murder.

During interrogation, they confess that their sponsor promised to give them the sum of N400 million after the ritual had been completed and money started coming out but their

sponsor gave them the sum of N5, 000 as mobilisation fee for the job," Magaii said.

One of the suspects in a chat with newsmen said their sponsor did not give them any money but only promised them that when they take the body of the hunchback to the "Babalawo" who is based in Lagos the ritual will be done in their presence and any money that came out from the hunchback will be share equally among the seven of them who are involved in the deal.

The suspects, then, regreted their action blaming it on the devil and their poverty status in



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