

Niger police recover 205 cattle, arrest 6 suspected kidnappers

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Two hundred and five cattle were recovered by the men of the Niger State Police Command in two major operations in the state in October 2015, *Daily Trust* has learnt.

Men of the command also recovered 121 sheep during both operations.

Record of achievements of the command for the month of October, compiled by ASP Bala Elkana and made available to newsmen yesterday in Minna shows that 143 cattle and 71 sheep were recovered in an operation at Kudami forest, Sarkin Pawa local government area of the state on October 11.

The record indicates that four bandits were arrested during the offensive and have since charged to court for prosecution.

The record also shows that 62 cows and 50 sheep were recovered from an operation following the arrest of one Yunusa Nono, who the command claimed is a "notorious cattle rustler" on October 3.

The information indicates that seven suspects were arrested in the two operations with five motorcycles and four cutlasses.

The command also said it arrested six kidnappers at different locations across the state within the period under review. It said two suspected kidnappers were arrested following a tip-off at Gawu Babangida in Gurara LGA on October 3 and the victim rescued.

It said men of the command also arrested one Usman Aliyu, which it claimed was notorious for culpable homicide and kidnapping on October 10. It said the suspect masterminded the kidnap of one Magaji Ruwa, the head of Fulani camp in Doko in Labun LGA and killing of the victim's son.

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