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From Usman A. Bello, Benin

A female accomplice of a suspected kidnapper identified as Jennifer has scaped from the Edo State Juvenile Remand Home at Ugbekun in Ikpoba-Okha local government area.

Jennifer was arrested for helping a suspected kidnapper by selling phones collected from kidnapped victims along the Benin-Auchi highway.

She was taken to the remand home as she was underage.

The State Commissioner for Women Affairs and Social Development, Mrs. Magdalene Ohenhen, confirmed the incident but did not give details.

The Edo State Police Public Relation officer, DSP Moses Nkombe, said he was yet to be briefed on the development.

Two arrested over murder of three in Enugu

The police in Enugu State have arrested two men, Onyekachi Idoko and Felix Akor, for alleged murder of three persons in Udenu Local Government Area of the state.

The spokesperson of the command, ASP Ebere Amaraizu, disclosed this in a statement issued on Tuesday in Enugu.

Amaraizu said the two suspects were arrested following a well-coordinated operation by the police.

He said Idoko of Ifuroka-Amalla community in Udenu council area was nabbed by police operatives of the Udenu Division on a tip-off.

The spokesman said the murder suspect, who fled after the offence, was arrested on Sept. 16 at Inyi community in Igboeze North Local Government Area of the state.

He said the suspect alongside others murdered one Onyemaechi Eze on July 5 and escaped.

"The suspect is now helping the operatives in their investigations as he had given insight into how he and his gang allegedly collected N200,000 from the native doctor, Felix Akor, who hired them to murder the victim," he said.

The police spokesman said that both suspects had been helping operatives in their investigations. (NAN)

Man arrested for land grabbing, injuring owner

From Usman A. Bello, Benin

The Edo State Taskforce for Private Property Protection has arrested and handed over one Osarobo Idahosa to security agents for violating the law prohibiting forceful entry and illegal occupation of landed property in the state.

The taskforce's vice chairman, Chief Osaro Idah, who disclosed this yesterday while briefing journalists in Benin on the activities of the panel of enquiry over land grabbing in the state, said Idahosa's arrest followed investigation into the

disputed parcel of land between Christopher Akeh and Idahosa.

He said Idahosa failed to provide the necessary documents to back his claim of ownership of the land during the investigation.

He added that Idahosa also inflicted physical injuries on

Akeh, who was discovered to have acquired the land legally from the state government.

He said Idahosa was arrested for contravening the property law and has been handed over to security agents for prosecution to serve as deterrent to others.