

# JTF kills 6 suspected cultists in Rivers

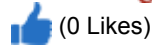
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Men of the Joint Military Taskforce (JTF) in the early hours of yesterday killed six people suspected to be cultists terrorizing parts of in Ogba/Egbema/Ndoni Local Government Area of Rivers State.

A notorious cult leader in the area was said to be among the dead. The cult leader was said to have been shot dead during the operation around Ali-Ugo junction and his corpse carried away.

The security raid followed the killing of three members of ONELGA local vigilance, known as Security Planning and Advisory Committee (OSPAC) recently.

The outfit was set up by the authority of the local government council to assist in tackling insecurity in the area.

Gunmen had on Saturday night invaded Okposi and Omoku communities and killed the three OSPAC members and another individual, causing panic.

When contacted, the Public Relations Officer of Rivers State Police Command, DSP Nnamdi Omoni, said the information on the incident was sketchy, adding that a formal statement would be released later.