

# Kogi: 9 vigilantes arrested for torturing suspect to death

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Kogi State Police Command has arrested nine members of the state vigilante services for torturing a suspect to death.

The command's Public Relations Officer, DSP William Aya told newsmen on Tuesday in Lokoja that the incident occurred on Monday at Ofabo in Ofu Local Government Area of the state.

DSP Aya explained that the victim whose name was simply given as John, allegedly stole some items belonging to a certain Igbo trader.

He said the owner of the goods reported at the office of the Kogi State vigilante services in the area that the suspect stole his goods worth N200,000.

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The chairman of the vigilante was said to have ordered that the suspect be tortured in his presence which resulted to his death. Irked by the development, youths in the area were said to have razed some shops in a reprisal.

DSP Aya said that the command has commenced full investigation into the incident.

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