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Police kill two suspected armed robbers

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POLICEMEN from the Benue State Police Command in the early hours of Tuesday killed two armed robbery suspects believed to be specialists in snatching of GSM handsets across the state capital.

Briefing newsmen on the operation that lasted over an hour, Benue State Police Commissioner, Mr. Ibe Aghanya said that soldiers of NASME Makurdi assisted the police in tracking down the robbers, who were residents in the North Bank Area of Makurdi.

He said that the suspected robbers, alongside their colleagues still at large, operate a syndicate responsible for the snatching and sale of phones in the Benue State capital.

He said the police recovered five stolen phones from the hideout of the suspected robbers after the operation.

Aghanya warned men of the underworld and criminals that there would be no hiding place for them anywhere in the state.

He said that the police in the state have mapped out strategies to ensure that criminals are shown the way out of the state.

He commended members of the public for co-operating with the police by providing useful information regarding criminals, saying the recent successes recorded by his command were because people came forward to brief the police on the activities of criminal elements in their respective localities.

Hundreds of residents of Makurdi trooped to the State Police Headquarters to catch a glimpse of the corpses of the suspected robbers, before they were taken to the mortuary.