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A GROUP of youths, who allegedly vandalized the police station in Ashaka, Ndokwa East Local Council of the state as a result of the death of a boy, who allegedly jumped into the river and got drowned following a police raid on an Indian hemp smoking joint a few days earlier, have been arrested by the police in Delta State.

A statement by the Delta State Police Public Relations Officer, Mr. Lucky Uyabeme in Asaba yesterday said that one Emeka Ozege and other principal suspects were arrested while manhunt for others has been intensified.

A mob of about 200 persons had stormed Ashaka Police Station hurling stones at the building, threatening to lynch the policemen on duty.

The youths damaged windows and charge room and also shattered the rear glasses of Ashaka and Abok patrol vehicles parked at the premises before a combined team of Dragon 24, 25 and 26 patrol teams in collaboration with military officials from Agip Oil Company brought the situation under control.

He advised those who participated in the attack on the police station to surrender themselves to law enforcement agents "as no stones would be left unturned in ensuring that all culprits are brought to book."

Uyabeme stressed that the command would not tolerate attack on police facilities, adding that raiding of criminal hideouts was "a normal police action aimed at checkmating criminals."

Similar raids were recently carried out behind Abraka and cattle markets in Asaba and other divisions."

The Delta State Police spokesman remarked that the arrest of two persons including Udwin Jeremiah and Eto Boga Blessing both males of Etiagbodo village in Olomoro clan was for unlawful possession of arms while riding a cargo motorcycle.

He said one locally-made single-barrel gun with four cartridges, one cutlass, two torch lights, one helmet and the cargo motorcycle with Registration Number QH 398 LEH, were recovered from the suspects.

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