

Police nab 12 for murder, armed robbery, cultism in Osun

From Timothy Agbor, Osogbo

THE police in Osun have arrested 12 suspects for various criminal activities statewide.

The alleged crimes included: murder, armed robbery, attempted murder, cultism, stealing, conspiracy, possession of firearms and assault.

Parading the suspects, yesterday, at the headquarters of the Police Command in Osogbo, the Public Relations Officer, Yemisi Opalola, who represented the Police Commissioner, Kehinde Longe, said the suspects would be arraigned in court after completion of investigations.

One of the suspects, Samson Olukitibi, 28, was arrested in connection with a murder case.

Opalola said: "On July 29 at about 1600hrs, the suspect was apprehended by the men of Anti-Cultism squad in connection with the murder of one late Segun Agbadayi at a



Some of the suspects

shopping complex because of a fraudulent transaction in Ilesa.

"Investigation is still ongoing. The suspect will be charged to court after the completion of the investigation."

She also said three men, John Michael, 34; Alabi Ajewole, 53, and Oloko Christopher, 54,

snatched a car at gunpoint, and also robbed residents of their possessions.

According to her, "On November 21, 2022, the complainant reported at Ataoja divisional police headquarters that three armed men wearing facemasks broke into her house at about 0300hrs of No-

tember 20, 2022 at gunpoint, demanding money and jewelry. The suspects disposed the complainant of N30, 000, locked her and the children in the toilet and went away with her unregis-

tered Toyota Corolla 2006 model. "The case was referred to the command Anti-Robbery section for discreet investigation. Since then, the detectives have been hunting for the suspects.

"Also, on January 13, 2023, the complainant reported at 'A' Division Ilesa that his unregistered Toyota Corolla car 2004 model, with one Android and Nokia phones were snatched at gunpoint from his wife in Ilesa, while driving home at about 2000hrs.

"The case was also referred to the anti-robbery section for thorough investigation and the detectives immediately put all necessary investigative mechanisms in place and arrested the three suspects in Ilesa.

"They confessed to have robbed the first complainant

of the above first exhibits and the said amount of money. The suspects, who proved to be hardened criminals, were charged to court and consequently remanded in Ilesa Correctional Centre.

"While they were in the correctional centre, police did not rest on their oars, investigation continued and they were later reproduced from the remand for further investigation, which led the team to Port Harcourt, Rivers State, where the two Toyota Corolla vehicles and the phones belonging to the two complainants were recovered.

"Investigation further revealed that one of the suspects, John Michael, registered the stolen vehicles in his name and sold them in Port Harcourt for N2.5 million each before they were recovered."

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