

Killers Of DPO's Orderly Shot Dead In Delta

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The police in Delta State shot dead three members of the gang that killed an orderly of the divisional officer of the Agbarho Police Station, Corporal John Achaka, on Tuesday and arrested a fourth.

This is coming three days after the robbers who were alleged to have attempted robbing a bank were killed by the Police in Asaba on Saturday.

After killing the orderly, they

were said to have gone ahead to rob a man who had withdrawn an unspecified amount of money from the bank and also intercepted a Guinness Truck on the Asaba-Benin Highway on Tuesday.

But a police team was said to have intercepted them around Okpanam Junction on the Benin-Asaba Highway about 5 p.m. on that day and killed three of them and arrested the fourth in the ensuing gun duel.

Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO) of the state command, Okuwobi Olabisi, confirmed the in-

cident, saying the gang was the one that killed the police orderly earlier that day.

She based her theory on the fact that the rifle taken away from the deceased orderly and a 406 Peugeot car they used to attack the police officer were recovered from them.

DPO was on his way to a political stakeholders meeting called by the State Commissioner of Police, Udom Ekpoudom, but the four tyres of their vehicle got punctured. However, the DPO since he was behind time had to join a pri-

vate vehicle and left his orderly and drive to fix up the tyres.

While the duo were fixing the tyres, a gang of five men who were said to have drove past but on sighting them reversed and fired at the orderly killing him on the spot and made away with his rifle. But the DPO's driver was said to have escaped unhurt.

Olabisi added that three other AK 47 rifles, 24 round of live ammunitions and a police bullet proof vest were also recovered from the suspects.