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Offa Bank Robbery: Another Kingpin, Four Others Arrested

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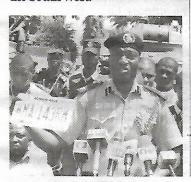
The Inspector-General of Police (IGP) Ibrahim Idris's Intelligent Respond Team (IRT), led by Deputy Commissioner of Police (DCP) Abba Kyari has arrested five more suspects, in connection with the dreaded Offa bank robbery. The robbery that claimed over 15 lives is widely condemned.

CRIME TRACKER reliably gathered that the five suspects including another kingpin, Moses Gowon were arrested by IRT in Kogi, Oyo and Kwara states.

Dependable police source disclosed that Gowon 27, is a native of Daodu village in Guma LGA of Benue State.

Gowon's picture was captured by the Bank's CCTV and was circulated by the media.

Force headquarters' source assured that, "all suspects will be paraded before the press in Abuja after investigation is concluded in the South West."



Five Christians To Die By Hanging For Killing Herdsman



Adamawa State Governor, Jibrila Bindow

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Yola High Court presided over by Justice Abdul-Azeez Waziri has sentenced five men to death for culpable homicide and for killing a Fulani herdsman.

The convicts, Alex Amos, Albert Phanuel, Holy Boniface, Jerry Gideon and Jari Sabagi of Demsa Local Government Area of Adamawa State.

They are facing the hangman because according to Justice Waziri, they were found guilty of criminal conspiracy and culpable homicide which contravened Section 96 (1) (a) and Sections 79 and 221 (b) of the Penal Code of Laws of Adamawa State, 1997.

The convicts were said to have on June 1, 2017 at Kodamun vil-

lage in Demsa local Government
Area willfully and intentionally
conspired and attacked three
herdsmen rearing cattle, killing
one of them, Adamu Buba, whose
body they threw into a river and
also maimed several cows.

Justice Waziri said the case against the accused persons had been proved beyond reasonable doubt by the counsel to the state, Mr. Salihu Mohammed.

Justice Abdul Azeez ruled that, "I hereby sentence the accused persons on counts one and two to death by hanging, while on counts four and five, I sentence the accused to three years in prison to run concurrently. "Any aggrieved party is at liberty to file an appeal to the Court of Appeal, Yola Judicial Division within 90 days from today."

Investigation further revealed that the five Christians had suspectedly attacked late Adamu Buba who was one of the ring leaders who attacked their village in 2016 and killed 48 persons.

As part of their reprisals against Fulani herdsmen who had burnt down their village of Kodamun in which 48 persons were killed mobilised and chased Buba to a nearby river and he felled into the river but gotdrawned as he could not swim.