Police Arrest 3 Suspected Ritualists In Enugu

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The police in Enugu have announced the arrest of three suspected ritualists in Oji River.

The spokesperson of the Enugu State Police Command, Mr Ebere Amaraizu, said in a statement in Enugu yesterday that the suspects were Festus Ajah, Precious Ajah and Solomon Ajah.

Amaraizu said the suspects were arrested on December 23, 2013 at Umuonopu, Obune Inyi in Oji River.

He said the suspects were nabbed following complaints that they were fake gynaecologists, money ritualists and for obtaining money under false pretences.

The spokesperson said police operatives recovered a wrap of weeds, suspected to be Indian hemp, syringes, some drugs, red and white cloths and rainbow incense among others from the suspects.

Meanwhile in a related development, the police also nabbed a notorious suspected kidnapper/murderer who was declared wanted.

Amaraizu said the suspect, Uzoma Chukwuka, had been on the run after his alleged involvement in the kidnap of one Veronica Ogugor of Orjinator Ugwuoba in Oji River on June 26, 2013.

The suspect was also alleged to have taken part in the murder of one Fredrick Onwuka of Nkpagu village before he ran away to Lagos.

He said Uzoma was apprehended as he returned to his village after spending some months, unaware that the police were monitoring him.

Meanwhile, the police have also arrested four persons for the alleged murder of one Uche Abonyi of Umuodu Umuogwu in Isi-Uzo Local Government Area of the state.

He said Abonyi was stabbed to death on Dec. 27, 2013 for a yet to be identified reason.

"following the death of the deceased, angry villagers revolted and allegedly burnt a car believed to belong to the suspect before police operatives intervened," he said.