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Rampaging armed bandits operating across Delta State have allegedly killed a 51-year-old businessman, Ike Okolie, and two others along the Achalla-Ibusa Road at Achalla-Ibusa in Oshimili North local government area of Delta State.

Reports said that the unidentified gunmen have in the last two weeks launched massive attacks on residents of the area, waylaying and dispossessing them of their belongings.

The police public relations officer in the state, DSP Celestina Kalu, who confirmed the killings of the businessman and two others, however disclosed that four suspected persons were arrested adding that investigations are on-going with efforts in place to arrest the gang leaders.

Narrating the incident to our correspondent, the wife of the victim (Ike Okolie) said the incident occurred in her presence while the husband was driving home in his car with registration number, EH 321 LLD, when the bandits emerged from the bush and shot at him.

She said that two other persons were also killed on the spot adding that they were driving towards Okpanam Road when they got down to a stream and a culvert, making them to slow down to enable the car pass easily, but this was not to be as she said that when she raised her face, she saw some masked men pretending to repair a motorcycle, adding that as they were about to speed off, the men opened fire on the husband.

According to her, the gruesome murder of her husband who she described was an easy-going man, has shattered the peace in her family as well as brought confusion to the family.

Speaking further, DSP Kalu said “we are not relenting in the effort to bring the culprits to book; all efforts have been put in place.”

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