

Edo police kill six robbery suspects

• Parade 13 suspected kidnappers

THE Police in Edo State have killed six suspected armed robbers at Ekpoma, Esan West Local Government Area.

Also, 13 suspected kidnappers arrested in different locations in Edo State were paraded.

It was learnt that the police responded to a call that hoodlums were in an uncompleted building where a kidnapped victim was rescued when the robbers opened fire on them.

Four of the suspects were

From Osagie Otabor, Benin

killed while the remaining two died on their way to the hospital.

Commissioner of Police Danlami Yar'Adua told reporters in Benin yesterday that one revolver, three cut-to-size guns and some cartridges were recovered.

He said the police had started an operation code-named 'Operation Attack To

Rescue' which he said led to the raiding of suspected kidnappers' hideout at Ikoro village and Ogbemudia farms area where some kidnapped victims were rescued.

The police boss said Tony Motor, who holds a diploma in Agriculture Science, believed to be terrorising Siluko and Iguoriakhi areas was arrested.

Yar'Adua assured residents of a crime-free yuletide, adding

that efforts would be intensified to track down fleeing robbers and kidnappers.

Some of the suspects told *The Nation* that some of their members accepted amnesty after collecting ransom.

They said they were refused amnesty which led to their arrest.

Andrew Adubu (34) said he started kidnapping in January and that he had collected N250,000 as ransom.