

nessed by the state Commission-

the surroundings, we knew that

area of roadan.

"Actually, when the police got

are not happy about the situation.
"So, we got across to the state

they can talk to themselves and
take care of themselves."

Driver lynched in 'fetish ritual' bid with four-year-old

Two 'robbers' get jungle justice in Warri

A 23-year old driver identified as Samuel has been lynched by an irate mob for allegedly attempting to use a four-year-old girl for fetish ritual in Awka, the Anambra State capital.

The deceased, a driver with a private school in the area, was said to have attempted to kill the girl while her mother was away from her shop.

The Nation gathered that the victim's mother Mrs Ginika Eze, a petty trader, had gone to buy food for her daughter when she was attacked by the suspect.

She said, "I brought my daughter to stay with me at the shop so as to keep an eye on her since her school was on mid-term break. When she complained she was hungry and wanted to eat beans with bread for

TWO robbery suspects were reportedly burnt to death, Sunday afternoon, near Oyvwian Secondary School, Oyvwian, in Udu council area of Delta State.

The suspects allegedly robbed an unidentified woman of her mobile phone and an unspecified sum of money along the school route.

It was learnt that the incident which occurred at 1pm on Sunday attracted passersby, who responded to the

From Nwanosike Onu, Awka and Emma Elekwa, Onitsha

lunch, I dashed to a nearby shop to buy the items.

"Later my attention was drawn to

From Elo Edremoda, Warri

screams of the woman and chased the hoodlums.

On capturing them, the irate mob beat up the duo and afterwards set them ablaze.

An eyewitness, who gave his name simply as Jacob, disclosed that the suspected thieves attacked the woman, took her mobile phone and some cash and fled.

my stall where my daughter was struggling with a man almost half-naked. He was kissing and fondling her, while muttering, "I must drink your blood."

The 42-year-old woman said she

"It was her screams that alerted the mob. Road users and motorcyclists who happened on the scene then joined the angry mob to run after the thieves and then set them ablaze."

A resident, who spoke on condition of anonymity said, "though it is sad, the way they killed the thieves, but let it serve as a lesson to others who have the mind of robbing people of their phones and other criminal related activities".

raised the alarm.

"Some boys within the area ran to the scene and rescued my daughter from him. By then, blood was already dropping from her face as the man held her tight in his arms."

A witness, who preferred to remain anonymous, claimed the deceased was shouting for blood and was about to suck the girl's blood before he was lynched, adding that the deceased's father had been contacted.

Police spokesperson Haruna Mohammed said the deceased was probably under the influence of hard drugs.

He said, "He seized the little girl and was molesting her before being accosted by irate civilians who beat him to death. When the police arrived at the scene, the boy, who was probably in his late 20s, was lying motionless on the ground while his assailants had dispersed.

"He was taken to a nearby hospital, where he was confirmed dead.

Mohammed said the victim was stable and responding to treatment.

Factory worker in

13-man 'kidnap