



Three 'robbers' held for 'killing' expectant woman in Abuja

•To clamp down on motorcycle operators in restricted areas

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POLICE in the Federal Capital Territory (FCT) on Wednesday paraded three persons suspected to be members of a robbery gang that killed an expectant woman in Apo on January 26.

Addressing journalists in Abuja, the FCT Commissioner of Police, Bala Ciroma, said the suspects were arrested from their hideout in Dei Dei.

He explained that the robbery suspects shot and killed the expectant woman after taking N500,000 from her.

Alleged members of the gang include Kingsley Ugo, 49, Chizoba Nwafor, 32, and Chidoze Onoha, 34.

Aiao, Ciroma said the Command has started investigating the violent riot that led to the recent closure of Dutse market.

"The four suspects arrested in connection with the unfortunate incident are currently under investigation and will be arraigned in court upon the conclusion of investigation.

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"Among the suspects to be paraded today are two suspects arrested at Lugbe Zone 9 for assaulting some police personnel; three armed robbery suspects who robbed and killed a pregnant woman at Damakasa in Apo; three okada riders who alongside others now of large almost lynched a motorist at an accident scene; 12 suspects arrested for cult activities around Zuba, and seven okada riders arrested in connection with the murder of an alleged motorcycle thief in Dutse Makaranta, among others.

"The exhibits recovered include two locally-made pistols, two pump action, nine live cartridges, one dagger, four motorcycles, television sets, etc".

The Commissioner expressed concern over the level of lawlessness of motorcycle operators in the FCT.

He said the Command will soon start a vigorous enforcement of the restriction of motorcycle operations to satellite towns.



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