

Two drown chasing suspected thief into river

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TWO persons chasing a suspected thief have drowned in a river in Kwara, the Kwara State capital.

The suspect also died in the water.

An eyewitness said the two men were pursuing the suspect who stole from some traders in the Amilengbe area of the metropolis when their suspect plunged into the river to escape from his pursuers.

Intent on catching him, the two men also jumped into the river. They have not been seen since Saturday when the incident happened.

"It was the shout of 'thief', 'thief' that drew the attention of some of the people who gathered at a welder's shop close to the river. Suddenly, the alleged thief jumped into the river and started swimming before the two people that were chasing him jumped in after him." Spokesman of the Fire Service, Hassan Adekunle confirmed the incident.

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