

## Teenagers kill okada man, steal his bike

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**P**OLICE in Ogun have arrested three teenagers, Sodiq Awokoya, 18, Odunayo Samson, 18, and Jimoh Rilwan, 17, for allegedly killing a commercial motorcyclist, Bashiru Umaru, and snatching his motorcycle.

The suspects allegedly waylaid Bashiru, and hacked him to death and threw his body into the bush.

They were arrested on October 8 at Ogere Toll Gate while trying to sell the motoreyele.

The prospective buyer demanded the documents of the motorcycle before buying it but the suspects were unable to provide any. He alerted the police.

The Divisional Police Officer, Ogere Police Divisional Headquarters, Abiodun Ayinde, led detectives to the scene and arrested the teenagers.

Police spokesman Ambibola Oyeyemi in a statement yesterday said the suspects told the police that they stole the motorcycle in the Iperu Remo area of the state.

"Coincidentally, it was the time the relations of the deceased came to lodge a complaint about their missing person that the police brought the suspects from Ogere with the stolen motorcycle. On sighting the motorcycle, the relatives of the deceased identified it, and informed the police that the motorcycle brought with the suspects belonged to their missing brother.

The suspects reportedly said they snatched the motorcycle, and tied the owner to a tree but on getting to the spot, the detectives discovered that the motorcyclist was killed before his bike was taken away.