

Gunmen kill three, abduct two in Anambra, Niger

① **T**HREE persons have been shot dead by hoodlums in Ogidi, Idemili North council of Anambra State.

The deceased, including a youth leader simply identified as Achike, were reportedly killed at a political meeting in the 7th Mile area of the state.

The hoodlums reportedly stormed the meeting venue around 3pm and shot the three persons dead.

• 17 suspected kidnappers arrested, 15 victims rescued

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The Nation gathered that the gunmen had come for the youth leader but killed the others who attempted to shield him.

The Ogidi Divisional Police Officer, Mr Ekuri Remigius confirmed the incident.

Two persons were abducted at Gidan Kwano, host community to the Federal University of Technology (FUT) Minna.

Students claimed that bandits were behind the attack, but police blamed hoodlums for it.

The incident happened on Wednesday at a shop opposite FUT gate,

Police spokesman Wasiu Abiodun confirmed the incident, saying one of the suspects has been arrested.

Also, police paraded 16 kidnap suspects and rescued 15 victims. The suspects were apprehended in Lapai and Magama councils.

Commissioner of Police Bala Kuryas said the command also recovered 50 cattle from the suspects.