

Robbers attack three banks in Kogi

• Two persons killed in Bayelsa community

THE police yesterday confirmed that armed robbers attacked three commercial banks in Ankpa, Kogi State..

The robbery took place on Tuesday, police spokesman William Ovy-Aya, said in a statement.

Ovy-Aya said the anti-robbery squad had visited the scenes, and that Commissioner of Police Edward Egbuka also directed anti-riot policemen, counterterrorism and other security units to collaborate in apprehending the attackers and restoring normalcy in the areas.

"The good news is that the police personnel on duty both at the station and the banks, who quickly recovered from the sudden attack, gallantly repelled the attackers and forced them to flee, some into nearby bushes.

"The robbers abandoned three vehicles used for the operation in their haste to escape, some of them with bullet

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wounds," Ovy-Aya said in the statement.

He said the CP had ordered the Deputy Commissioner of Police in charge of Investigation Department (SCID) to investigate the attack and apprehend the hoodlums.

Suspected armed robbers yesterday attacked Amarata community in Yenagoa Local Government Area of Bayelsa State and reportedly killed a man and a woman.

The suspects were said to have raided a residential building opposite Opili Plaza, Amarata, and shot at a man identified as Center Silas. The name of the woman was yet to be ascertained.

The incident reportedly caused panic in the area.

Police spokesman Asinim Butswat confirmed the incident but said the police were unaware of the fate of the woman allegedly killed.