

News

From **SULAIMAN AHMED MISAU, Katsina**

MEN of the Katsina State Police Command have killed one of the suspected armed robbers who attacked a Bank in Batsari local government area of the state.

The Police killed the robber during an exchange of fire at a Nahuta village situated at a boarder area between Jibia and the neighbouring Zamfara State.

The state commissioner of Police Alhaji Ibrahim Mohammed who confirmed the killing when inspecting the dead body of the robber said Police had also recovered all money stolen by robbers, two A.K 47 guns and two "KSEA" brand of motorcycles used during the operation as well as some boundless of Bank tellers and cheque books.

Alhaji Ibrahim Mohammed said the team of policemen headed by the Area Commander in-charge of Katsina Central along with the Divisional Police Officer of Batsari local government CSP

Sylvester Edogbanya pursuit the robbers soon after reporting on the incidence which occurred at about 12:45pm on Tuesday.

He however said the robber

had killed a customer in the bank and wounded eleven others while attempting to run away after the operation.

The Police Commissioner

said all victims of the robbery were immediately been taken to Katsina General Hospital for timely treatment.

Ibrahim Mohammed who lauded the effort of the Police

for reaching the robbers enjoined members of the general public not to hesitate in reporting to the Police any suspicious acts for prompt action.

Investigations show that the recovered money stolen by the robbers were meant for the payment of salaries of workers in Batsari local government.

Katsina police kill robber in Batsari LG

N3.4trn OIL SUBSIDY WENT INTO WRONG HANDS

From **KAYODE ATOFOLAKI, Ibadan**
FORMER Minister of Interior. Captain Emmanuel Ihenacho has said that about 3.4 trillion Naira went into the wrong hands from the oil subsidy.

He noted that the beneficiaries of the subsidy were not the masses.

The former minister who dropped the hint during the inauguration of the execu-

tive council of the Maritime Reporters Association of Nigeria held at conference centre of the Nigerian Shippers Council, explained that if the subsidy is removed, it would enable the government to provide good roads and create employment for the youths in the country.

He said that the oil marketers did not benefit from the subsidy as widely perceived by the people.

Ihenacho stressed the

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need for the country to develop its bunker industry.

He added that the country need experts seamen for its international trade.

Meanwhile, an official of

the Nigerian Maritime Administration and Safety Agency (NIMASA) has said that the country was losing 1 billion US dollars

to oil theft monthly.

The official who made the revelation at the inauguration alleged that the officials of the Nigerian National petroleum corporation collude with thieves said oil are siphoned into the barges.

2 women docked for stealing 12 bags of rice

TWO women, Sheri Tosi row for the purpose of con-