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The Commissioner of Police in Oyo State, Muhammad Musa Katsina, has expressed his determination to take the battle against crime and criminality to the doorsteps of criminals, just as he disclosed that his command recovered 23 vehicles, 17 motorcycles, arms and over 3,000 live ammunition from suspected armed robbers.

Meanwhile, the police, in Bauchi, last weekend, arrested two suspects in the state capital for stealing two motorcycles from where their owners parked them **while a notorious armed robber, who specialised in highway and bank robbery, was killed during a gun battle, in the early hours of Tuesday, when a team of Special Armed Robbery Squad (SARS) from Osun State Police Command stormed his hideout in Modakeke.**

Parading suspected criminals arrested in connection with the recovered vehicles and other cases at the state headquarters, Eleyele, Ibadan, Oyo State, on Tuesday, Katsina said that the cars, which were recovered from different locations in Lagos, Ogun, Oyo, Kwara and Kano states, were either snatched from their owners at gun point or stolen from where they were parked.

The vehicles included Toyota Corolla cars, Honda Accord cars, Honda Pilot SUV, Toyota Camry cars, Ford car, Audi car, Toyota Sienna buses, Mitsubishi Space wagon car, and Honda Civic cars, some of which had registration numbers while others were unregistered.

Katsina revealed that the Command's Special Anti-Robbery Squad's (SARS), through intelligence gathering, painstaking and discreet investigations, recovered two of the cars from Lagos, five from Ogun, two from Oyo and 11 from Kwara and Kano states respectively.

Among the suspects was one Adejuwon Olanipekun, a.k.a. Marshall, whom the police commissioner described as a member of a notorious armed robbery gang which specialised in snatching posh cars at gun point. He was reportedly arrested on February 19, 2015 at about 9:30a.m. along Lagos/Ogun State axis.

According to a statement made available to newsmen, on Tuesday, by the Bauchi State Police Command's Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO), DSP Haruna Mohammed, police detectives attached to GRA Division, in Bauchi, arrested a 27-year-old man, Sohnan Dantata from Langtang North in Plateau State, last Saturday, at about 5:20 a.m.

The suspect, the police spokesman said, broke into the house of one Umar Mohammed at New GRA area of Bauchi metropolis, where he stole a blue Jincheng Ladies motorcycle with registration number KTG 125 QA.

In Osun, Abbey, 28, popularly known as Iku, which means death in Yoruba language, met his Waterloo when he attempted to escape arrest from the crack team led by officer in charge of SARS, DSP Omoyele Adekunle.

Nigerian Tribune reliably gathered that the late Abbey was the leader of a 6-member robbery gang who terrorised motorists along Ife-Akure Expressway and robbed them of their money and valuables.

Credible source informed our correspondent that nemesis caught up with the hoodlums about three days ago when some people living close to their hideout informed the Police about their heinous activities.

According to Adekunle, "the three suspects namely: Dayo Adebanye 28, a motor mechanic from Ile-Ife, Kunle Adepoju, 23 an okada rider, also from Ile-Ife, and Mathias Aleke, 27, also an okada rider from Modakeke, confessed that they and their gang leader, the late Abbey, were responsible for the gruesome murder of one Dr Oluwasina Oyesomi, who worked with a General Hospital in Ado-Ekiti.

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