

3 armed robbers killed in gun duel with police in Kano

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A combined team of the Inspector General of Police (IGP) Special Tactical Squad (STS) and Special Anti-Robbery Squad (SARS), on Sunday shot three suspected robbers dead on Kano-Katsina road during a gun duel.

Disclosing this, on Monday, the Police Public Relations Officer in charge of Kano State Police Command, DSP Magaji Musa Majia, who addressed pressmen on behalf of the Commissioner of Police, Mr. Rabi'u Yusuf, said the armed robbers, before meeting their Waterloo, had been terrorising traders and travellers along the busy road.

According to the PPRO, on July 23 at about 9 p.m., the combined police team, while on joint patrol, intercepted a roadblock mounted between Lamba and Dansiri Villages in Bichi Local Government Area on Kano-Katsina Road.

He said that the hoodlums usually robbed traders and other innocent Nigerians after weekly market day in Chiranchi Local Government Area of Katsina State.

On sighting the police teams, DSP Majia said that the armed robbers started shooting, resulting in a gun duel which lasted about 15 minutes.

"Three suspected armed robbers were fatally wounded, while two English made AK-47 rifle, a locally-made pistol, two AK-47 rifle magazine, 47 rounds of live ammunition, three cartridges and a cutlass were recovered from them," he added.

DSP Majia, however, said that the police would continue to protect the residents of the state, while calling for information that would lead to the arrest of criminals in the state.

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