

constitution, went and dis- any other political party for

①

Two killed as abducted Delta businesswoman is freed

Ebenezer Adurokiya | Warri

MRS Akpezi Okpidi, the businesswoman who was kidnapped on Saturday morning in Ughelli town, Ughelli North Local Government Area of Delta State, has been freed.

This is just as two suspects arrested in connection with the abduction have reportedly died of possible gunshot wounds.

It was learnt that the

woman was rescued around 6:50 p.m on Saturday at an undisclosed riverine area, near Burutu Local Government Area of the state.

A family source said the two arrested suspects were trailed and tracked in Bayelsa State by security operatives, but died during exchange of gunfire.

A third suspect said to be on the run is believed to have escaped with the victim, but

eventually abandoned her in the woods when he realised he had been surrounded by security men.

The tinted GLK Benz used for the operation by the suspects was said to have been stolen. The vehicle, it was learnt, has also been recovered.

It appeared no ransom had been paid before the 33-year-old woman regained her freedom.

Mrs Okipidi was abducted while on her way to her shop in her Honda vehicle at Otovwodo, a suburb of Ughelli on Saturday around 8:00a.m and whisked away to an undisclosed location.

The Delta State Police Public Relations Officer, DSP Onome Onowwakpoyeya, has yet to confirm the rescue of Mrs Okpidi through a text message sent to her mobile line while filing the report.

Starling Bank pioneers work-study programme for secondary