

## Mob sets ablaze mentally-challenged man for allegedly kidnapping children in Kogi

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A mentally-challenged man has been killed by a mob after he was accused of abducting children by diabolic means in Okene, Okene Local Government Area of Kogi State.

It was gathered that the mob paraded the man on the streets of Okengwe before setting him alight.

A source who witnessed

the incident said the mob tied the man's two hands and beat him before he was dragged to Okengwe, where he was set on fire.

Meanwhile, the chairman of Okene Local Government Area, Honourable Abdulrazaq Muhammad, has ordered the arrest of the masterminds of the killing.

In a press statement on Tuesday, the council chairman described those who

participated in the mob action as criminals who took the law into their own hands without allowing law enforcement agencies handle the situation.

The chairman, therefore, directed security agencies to carry out investigation on the incident, just as he invited the district head of Okengwe, some ward heads and community leaders, whom he accused of negli-

gence, to make statements on the incident.

He said: "Preliminary investigations indicate that the information that led to the murder of the man was fake.

"Further investigation will reveal the identities of all those who masterminded the jungle justice.

"They will be arrested and made to face the full wrath of the law."