

Police arrest four over killing of Osun market leader

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FOUR persons have been arrested by the Osun State police command over the killing of the Babaloja of Ora-igbomina, Chief Oladepo Asaolu, in Ifedayo Local Government Area of the state.

The deceased, who was said to be going out for an assignment on October 5, was kidnapped and driven away on a motorcycle.

One of the market leader's sons later reported the development at the police station.

It was learnt that during investigation, the motorcyclist was nabbed and he confessed to the crime.

The motorcyclist was reported to have told the police that the victim was killed in a forest around the community.

The state Police Public Re-

lations Officer (PPRO), Mrs Yemisi Opalola, while confirming the arrests, said the police and some vigilante men, after investigations, nabbed the motorcycle operator identified as Johnson (surname withheld).

According to her, Johnson confessed to the crime and led the police to Akisa forest in Ora-Igbomina, the deceased's farm, where he was killed.

She said the body of the deceased was found in a state of decomposition inside the forest, while the suspect led operatives to arrest the three other accomplices, who also confessed being part of the crime.

The police spokesperson said the case had been transferred to the State Criminal Investigation Department (SCID) for further investigations.