Police arrest graduate with four locally-made rifles, ammunition in Plateau

Nab two for cultism, another for beating his father to death

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OPERATIVES of the Plateau State command have arrested a graduate with four locally fabricated rifles and 40mm ammunition.

According to the News Agency of Nigeria (NAN), the Commissioner of Police in the state, Bartholomew Onyeka, stated this while parading the suspect and some other suspected criminals on Wednesday in Jos.

Onyeka said the graduate was arrested by police operatives during a stop-and-search operation on the Jos-Pankshin road.

He said during investigation, four locally-fabricated rifles were recovered from his house.

The suspect, however, claimed he manufactured the rifles for personal use.

He said: "I'm a hunter and give herbal medicine to people.

"Because I visit the bush regularly, I produced the guns for my hunting and self-protection."

the police have arrested two undergraduate students of the University of Jos for cult-related offences and for being in procession of dangerous weapons, while one Kumbol (surname withheld) is in police net for allegedly beating his father to death.

According to the police boss, the students were found to be in possession of one axe, one back mask and one black beret.

He said after profiling and interrogation one of the suspects, Lucky (surname withheld), confessed that the recovered cultist materials belonged to him.

The police boss added that Kumbol allegedly beat his father, Kunfa Gotip, to death for scolding him over his refusal to follow him to farm.