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Police kill four robbery suspects in Oyo

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Four suspected armed robbers were in the early hours of Monday killed by men of the Oyo State Police Command in different locations in the state.

According to the police, the suspects were killed during shoot-outs with policemen.

Two others were arrested while policemen are still on the trail of some others that reportedly escaped from the scenes.

The highest casualty was said to have been recorded when armed men numbering about six reportedly invaded a filling station located on Moshood Abiola Way in Ibadan, the state capital.

But trouble started for the hoodlums when some residents who saw them strategising ahead of the onslaught quickly reported to the police.

The policemen drafted to the scene were said to have engaged the suspects in a gun duel that saw residents and passers-by scampering to safety.

While confirming the incident, the state Commissioner of Police, Mr. Baba Bolanta, said two of the suspects were killed in the shoot-out while others escaped with bullet wounds.

A few minutes after the bloody encounter, another shoot-out played out at Iseyin.

Some armed men were said to be dispossessing motorists and commuters of their valuables on Ado-Awaye Road when the police command was alerted.

Again, the hoodlums engaged the policemen sent to the scene in a gun battle that left one of the criminals dead.

Same day, another suspect was reportedly killed at Oluyole.

Bolanta told journalists that the command had intensified efforts aimed at apprehending fleeing members of the armed gangs.

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