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Members of a local vigilance group on Wednesday arrested four armed robbery suspects at Agulu, the hometown of Governor Peter Obi of Anambra State.

The vigilantes apprehended the robbers after they had killed one of their victims in the neighbouring town of Awgbu.

It was learnt that the robbers engaged in a gun battle with the vigilance group before three of them were demobilised, while the fourth member fled.

He was, however, traced and arrested at another village in Agulu, Nwanchi.

The leader of the gang, identified as Favour (aka King) was said to be from Umunze. Two of the armed robbers, who refused to disclose their names, were said to hail from Ebonyi State and Ogbaru area of Anambra State. The fourth one, Sunday Gege (alias Obodo) is from Ifiteani village in Agulu.

The robbers confessed to killing one woman from Awkuukwu at Agulu as she was returning from a trip to Achi, Enugu State.

They also confessed to shooting and killing another person from Awgbu on Monday, the fallout of which led to their capture.

Reacting to the development, the Senior Special Assistant to the Governor on Media and Publicity, Mr. Valentine Obienyem, said, "The motivation given to community vigilance groups in the 177 communities in the state has started paying off."

The Chairman of Agulu Vigilance group commended the government, saying the new security -quipped vehicles provided by it helped in nabbing the robbers.

He added that the stipends paid to 10 vigilante members in each town out of the 177 communities boosted their morale.

The state police command spokesman, Mr. Emeka Chukwuemeka, confirmed that the robbers were handed over to the police Special Anti-robbery Squad.

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