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**Police National Headquarters, Abuja.**

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### Farms, along the Benin-Lagos road.

One police officer was said to have been shot on the leg by the suspected robbers operating around Ogbemudia Farms.

Parading 42 other suspected criminals at the state command headquarters, including one Zenab Agbontine, who allegedly killed her husband, Egberise, with an axe, and one Augustine Obodeke, 32, who allegedly impregnated his 19-year-old daughter, the CP called on members of the public to assist the command with more information in its determination to bring crime rate to "near zero level in Edo State."

He said, "A gang of robbers was intercepted by my men along the Benin-Auchi road bypass. One of them was shot dead, while others escaped. From the confessions of one of them who is still alive, they were the ones that attacked our men who were coming from Osun State to Anambra for the governorship election along the bypass.

"This is a warning that you cannot kill a policeman and go free. We got them and we will continue to go after them."

One of the suspected armed robbers, Abdullahi Usman, who claimed to be from Kontagora in Niger State, said he had been in Benin for four months, and was lured away from cattle rearing by friends.

He said, "Four of us went to rob in Auchi and Asaba, but that was long ago. My friends asked why I should be suffering with cows. That was how I followed them.

Another suspect, Mohammed Abdullahi, also said he was introduced to the gang by a friend and had only participated in their operation three times before he was arrested.

He said, "I robbed in Enugu thrice. One Duna introduced me. After the first robbery, my share was N5,000, the second, I got N6, 000 and third, I was given N30, 000. I never robbed in Benin. I was arrested with another armed robbery gang in Aduwawa. We rented a hotel room and that was where they arrested us."

Men of the Edo State Police Command on Tuesday killed four suspected armed robbers.

Among the dead robbers were those allegedly responsible for the death of policemen coming from Osun State, enroute Benin, to monitor the just concluded Anambra governorship election.

The suspected robbers, according to the Edo State Police Commissioner, Foluso Adebajo, were killed in two different operations; one along the Benin-Auchi bypass, and another around Ogbemudia

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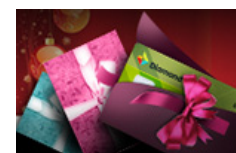
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Agbontine, the woman that killed her husband, said she committed the act because he threatened to send her packing and marry another woman.

She said, "He said I should go to my village, that I should not enter the house. When I entered, he held me and I hit him on the neck with an axe. He threatened that he would bring another woman home."

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