

# Father, son abducted, killed Ondo APC chief – Police

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The Ondo State Police Command has arrested a man Identified as Bekewei Francis and his son, David for alleged involvement in the abduction and killing of a chieftain of the All Progressives Congress, Olumide Odimayo, in Ondo State.

Odimayo was allegedly abducted by some hoodlums in his house at Igbotu in Ese Odo Local Government Area of Ondo State last Thursday and killed by the suspected kidnappers.

After killing him, the abductors allegedly threw the deceased corpse into a river between Sabomi and Igbotu communities in the Ese Odo Local Government. The police arrested eight persons among whom were Francis and his son.

The police command paraded the suspects with other accomplices including Fikesei Inuesokan, Ekan Roman, Gbamila Success, Bodidi Idowu, Saturday Amos and Ijanboh Kehinde at its headquarters in Alagbaka, Akure, the state capital on Wednesday .

The Ondo State Police Commissioner, Mrs. Hilda Harrison, confirmed that the suspects were among the hoodlums that kidnapped and killed the APC chieftain, adding that 15 persons were involved in the act.

Harrison said, “It was very disheartening that this could still be happening in this state.”

She explained that one AK49 rifle with 21 rounds of live ammunition was recovered from David, adding that efforts were ongoing to arrest the fleeing members of the gang.

The commissioner, who advised the people of the state to be security conscious, said the suspects would be charged to court after the conclusion of the investigation.

But Francis said he was arrested by the police because his son was involved in the abduction of the politician, saying he never participated in the crime.

However, David confessed to the crime but said they did not kill the deceased.

“We didn’t kill him, we left him beside a river when the vigilante men were chasing us, he was very weak, we did not kill him,” he confessed.