Police parade suspects for killing three vigilantes

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Kwara State Commissioner of Police, Mr. Lawan Ado

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The Kwara State Commissioner of Police, Mr. Lawan Ado, has said some hoodlums, numbering about 20, invaded Nuhu village through Kaiama in the Kaiama Local Government of Kwara State.

Parading the suspects on Sunday in Ilorin, the Kwara State capital, he stated that the hoodlums attacked and robbed two residents of N152,000, telephones, clothes, among other valuables.

The CP said after the robbery, the hoodlums escaped to the forest linking Niger State and Benin Republic.

He added that there was an exchange of gunfire between the robbers and some members of a vigilance group who gave them a chase.

He said three of the vigilantes died during a gun battle with the hoodlums.

He explained that investigation by operatives of the Special Anti-Robbery Squad and vigilantes led to the arrest of six of the suspects, who reportedly played different roles in the robbery.

He identified the suspects as Umaru Beto, Musa Bello, Ibrahim Duroma, Saliu Ibrahim, Mohammed Babari and Umary Kiruwa, adding that two unregistered Bajaj motorcycles, five cutlasses and one Gionee phone, were recovered from them.

"Also, on February 10, around 11.30am, a pastor, Mr. Joseph Adebayo, of Olunlade area of Ilorin, reported that some armed robbers invaded his house and robbed him of his motorcycle.

"The SARS operatives, on investigation, arrested one Mr. Omotoyesi Niyi, who confessed that he and one Kehinde, now at large, committed the crime.

"Niyi said the motorcycle was sold to one Mr. Muhar Lambo through one Azeez Lawal," he added.

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