

Murder: Nine Kogi vigilantes arrested

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Kogi State Commissioner of Police, Hakeem Busari

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Police in Kogi State have arrested nine state Vigilante Service members for allegedly torturing a man to death.

The incident occurred on Monday at Ofabo in the Ofu Local Government Area of the state.

Spokesman for the police in the state, William Aya, told our correspondent on Tuesday in Lokoja that the man was killed after a businessman in the community, who accused him of stealing items worth N200, 000 from his shop, reported him to the vigilance group.

Sources claimed the head of the vigilantes therefore ordered that the suspect be tortured until the victim gave up the ghost.

The development was said to have sparked protests in the community, with some angry youths burning three shops belonging to the businessman.

Aya said they had begun investigation in to the incident.

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