Gunmen kill policeman, abduct another, couple, other in Ogun

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Gunmen, on Wednesday, shot dead a policeman in Ogun State, abducted another policeman and three others, including a civil servant.

Our correspondent gathered that the kidnappers abducted a civil servant with the Ministry of Agriculture and a couple, who wanted to establish a fish farm in the state.

They were abducted at Ibara-Orile in the Abeokuta North Local Government Area of the state after killing one of the policemen, who served as guards for the farmers.

A source told our correspondent that the ministry asked the civil servant to follow the couple, who made a request for an agricultural extension expert.

The source said, "A civil servant with the Ministry of Agriculture, Fishery Department was kidnapped on Wednesday. A policeman was shot dead, while another policeman was abducted.

"They later took the couple and the civil servant to the bush and have yet to contact the family of the victims."

It was gathered that the residents of the area went to the state police command headquarters, Eleweran, to report the kidnap.

The Police Public Relations Officer in the state, DSP Abimbola Oyeyemi, confirmed the incident.

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Oyeyemi said the team was ambushed by the gunmen through the connivance of an insider.

He said the command would ensure that the perpetrators were brought to book and the victims were rescued.

He said, "It is more or less like a conspiracy from an insider. The man was ambushed and his orderly was shot.

"The command is doing everything to make sure that we get those that are behind that act."