

One killed as police foil attack on Ondo baker, trader

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ONE person was shot dead by men of the Ondo State Police Command when a gang of robbers allegedly attempted to rob a bakery in Akure, the state capital.

PUNCH Metro gathered that the robbers on Monday successfully snatched a vehicle belonging to the bakery owner, but they were chased by the police from Akure to Igbara-Oke town in the Ifedore Local Government Area of the state, where the operatives engaged them in a gun duel.

A source said during the shootout, one of the robbers was

killed, while one was arrested, as other members of the gang fled into a bush.

In a similar development, the police also foiled an attempt by a five-man gang of robbers to rob a cocoa trader of the sum of N13m in Akure.

The victim was said to have collected the money from a bank to pay some farmers.

It was gathered that after collecting the sum, the robbers began to trail the trader.

A source said, "On getting to the Oshinle area of Akure, the hoodlums attempted to block the road, but the man quickly left his

car and escaped from the scene with the money in the bag."

Our correspondent gathered that the robbers fled after sighting policemen in the area.

However, a sum of N2m kept in the booth of the car was allegedly stolen by some youths, who pretended to be assisting the victim

Police arrest four robbery suspects in Bayelsa

Daniels Igoni Yenagoa

MEN of the Bayelsa State Police Command have arrested four suspected members of an armed robbery gang in the state.

A statement on Wednesday by

in chasing away the robbers.

The state Police Public Relations Officer Mr Tee-Leo Ikoro, confirmed the two incidents, adding that investigations had commenced into them.

He added that community youths who allegedly stole the N2m had been arrested.



• Bayelsa CP, Mike Okoli

a spokesperson for the command, Asinim Butswat, said they were