

Ogun wanted serial killer arrested meeting hoodlums, others flee

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FILE: A Nigerian policeman

Operatives of the Ogun State Police Command have arrested a suspected serial killer, Ibiyemi Wasiri, at his hideout in Igboro, Ilaro, in the Yewa-North Local Government Area of the state.

The suspect was reportedly on the wanted list of the police over two murder cases.

The state Police Public Relations Officer, DSP Abimbola Oyeyemi, confirmed the arrest in a statement on Thursday.

Oyeyemi noted that the suspect, who was an ex-convict, was arrested following information received at the Ilaro divisional headquarters.

He said the police got a hint that Wasiri was sighted in his hideout at the Igboro area of Ilaro.

“Upon the information, the DPO, Ilaro, CSP Olayemi Jacob, quickly mobilised his men and moved to the scene, where the suspect, who was in the midst of some hoodlums, was arrested, while others escaped.

“A bag found on him was searched and one cut-to-size locally-made pistol and seven live cartridges were recovered therein.

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"The suspect, who was declared wanted by the command for actively participating in the killing of one Michael Abiodun, aka S1, on July 22, 2021, and one Kola Fagbemi, on July 24, 2021, confessed to have bought the gun from neighbouring Benin Republic.

"He was said to be a member of a dreaded *Eiye* cult terrorising Ilaro and its environs," the police spokesman added.

The PPRO said the state Commissioner of Police, Lanre Bankole, had ordered the immediate transfer of the suspect to the State Criminal Investigation and Intelligence Department for discreet investigation.

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