Robbers invited by landlord kill man, rape daughters

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The Oyo State Police Command on Friday paraded 21 suspected robbers, including a gang that allegedly killed a middle-aged man, Makanjuola Ogedengbe, and raped his two girls at Apaatuku/Onireke village, Akobo, in the Lagelu Local Government Area of the state.

The state Police Public Relations Officer, Adewale Osifeso, who paraded the suspects at the command headquarters, Eleyele, Ibadan, said they were assisting the police with investigation.

Osifeso said the men, while armed with weapons, invaded the village on Sunday, May 14, 2023, and dispossessed residents of their valuables.

He said, "On May 14, 2023 around 4am, a group of armed robbers invaded Apaatuku/Onireke at Akobo, Ibadan, and robbed residents of their valuables. The assailants killed one Makanjuola Ogedengbe and raped his two daughters, aged 14 and 10 years respectively, during the incident.

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"The case was transferred to the State Criminal Investigation Department, Iyaganku, for discreet investigation. During investigation, it was revealed that one Ibrahim Rasaq, 31; Abiodun Olalekan, 32; and Abolade Morenikeji, 34, who were earlier arrested in connection with an armed robbery operation on Sawia Estate at Ogbere in Ibadan, which was reported on April 16, 2023, were the same gang that invaded Apaatuku/Onireke community.

"The two daughters of the deceased were allegedly raped by Morenikeji and one Sodiq. The said Sodiq, who was the group's alleged leader, was killed in the operation by the community security guards. The assailants also shot at a night guard, who is currently receiving treatment.

"On June 16, 2023, around 3.30am, one Adebayo Salami, who is a major receiver/informant of the group and landlord at Ajara Olohunda, Akobo in Ibadan was arrested in connection with the case.

"During interrogation, he confessed to have invited the group for the robbery operation at the Apaatuku area, where Ogedengbe was killed and his two daughters deflowered."