

Kidnappers kill two policemen, abduct Chinese in Kwara

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The Kwara State Police Command on Thursday confirmed the killing of two policemen and the abduction of a Chinese national and one Nigerian in the Oreke-Okeigbo community in the Ifelodun Local Government Area of the state on Wednesday night.

The incident which took place at a mining site in the community at about 6.30 pm on Wednesday, saw two policemen: an Assistant Superintendent of Police and an Inspector being shot dead by a group of unidentified gunmen who attacked it.

According to a statement e-signed by the Police Public Relations Officer, Adetoun Ejire-Adeyemi SP, in the command on behalf of the Commissioner of Police, Mr Adekimi Ojo on Thursday, the gunmen also abducted two individuals; a Chinese national and a Nigerian from the mining site.

The statement said, “The Kwara State Command of the Nigeria Police confirms a deadly attack and abduction incident that occurred on June 4, 2025, at about 1830hrs. This heinous act was done at a mining site located in Oreke-Okeigbo of the state.

”Information received from the Divisional Police Officer in Oreke indicates that a group of unidentified armed assailants invaded the said mining facility, where they tragically shot and killed two operatives of the Nigeria Police Force —ASP Haruna Watsai and Inspector Tukur Ogah, both attached to the 45 PMF, Abuja, who were on official protective assignment at the location.

The attackers also carted away the rifles of the deceased officers.

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”In addition to the heinous killings, the assailants abducted two individuals: Mr Sam Xie Wie, a Chinese national, and Mr David Adenaiye, a native of Kogi State who was working at the mining site at the time of the incident,” the statement added.

The Commissioner of Police, Kwara State Command, Adekimi Ojo, strongly condemned the act of brutality and assured the public that the command had since swung into decisive action to bring the perpetrators to book and rescue the abductees.

“Tactical and intelligence-driven efforts are currently underway to ensure the swift rescue of the abducted victims and the apprehension of those responsible for this cowardly attack.

“The command is working in close synergy with other security agencies and community stakeholders to strengthen its presence in the area and prevent a recurrence of such incidents.

”Residents of Kwara State are urged to remain calm and law-abiding, as the command remains fully committed to the protection of lives and property across the state.

“We appeal to members of the public to provide credible and timely information that could aid the ongoing investigation and recovery efforts,” the statement further said.