

Teenage Robber Kills Cop, Teacher

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An officer of the Mobile Police Force (MOPOL) and a primary school teacher, have lost their lives in the hands of a 15-year old herdsboy, who is also the leader of a notorious five-man gang in Asaba, Delta State.

The two separate bloody operations were led by the teenage robber, who was also killed in the ensuing gun duel during the second attack within one hour the five-man gang struck between Asaba, Ugbolu and Ibusa road.

P.M. News learnt that the teenage herdsboy, whose name could not be ascertained as at press time, led the attacks and was killed during the second operation, which took place at a petrol station on old Ibusa/Asaba road.

He was gunned down while trying to escape with the rifle of the mobile police officer, who he had killed.

Before he met his death at the hands of another cop, his gang had mounted a road block on the Asaba-Ugbolu road, during which a teacher at Onih Primary School, Asaba, was shot dead by the teenage robber, after the victim and his lady of acquaintance had allegedly been dispossessed of the car in which they were travelling, cash and cell phones.

The teacher and the woman, the owner of the car and an indigene of Ugbolu, were returning from Asaba from a village meeting in her newly acquired car, when they ran into the gangsters.

After shooting the teacher, the gang put the woman in the boot of her own car and sped away.

But while on Direct Labour Agency (DLA) road in Asaba, the car had a flat tyre and they had to snatch a Hilux pick-up van with which they began

another operation. The car owner was, however, later rescued.

The bandits, including some Hausa/Fulani herdsmen, later mounted the second operation in which the mobile police officer was gunned down by the 15-year old bandit, who in turn was killed by the second policeman on duty at the petrol station.

The policeman also went after the gang and killed another of its member, before the three others fled with gun shot wounds.



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Inspector-General
of Police.