

Man kills 11-year-old boy while testing gun in Delta

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A 26-year-old man, Ogaga Kome, is currently cooling off in the police custody after he allegedly shot dead an 11-year-old girl, Hassanna Merit.

The suspect was said to be testing a locally made gun in his house in Ozoro, Isoko North Local Government Area of Delta State when he shot the victim. He fled immediately after the incident, but was later taken to the police station by his relative.

The Public Relations Officer of the state police command, DSP Bright Edafe, confirmed the arrest yesterday in a statement issued in Asaba.

Edafe also confirmed the arrest of a female suspect and two others, in connection with a stolen unregistered motorcycle in Issele-Uku, Aniocha North Local Government Area of the state.

He said an intelligence led investigation culminated into the arrest of one Iyegbunuwe Oluchukwu, the prime suspect in the stolen motorcycle saga.

“The suspect led the detectives to their hideout at the neighbouring Onicha-Ugbo, where two other suspects, one Okwudili Ozah and Esther Nwoko were arrested and one English revolver pistol, 15 rounds of live ammunition and six expended ammunition were recovered. Suspects allegedly stole the motorcycle at gun point and it’s suspected to be in the possession of one of their accomplices, Chidinma Nwoko, the husband to Esther Nwoko. Effort is on to arrest the other members of the gang,” he said.