

# Police crackdown Rivers criminal kingpin, kill 2 lieutenants

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**THE** Rivers State Police Command, in continuous efforts to tackle cultism and other related crimes in the state, yesterday, deployed a team of police officers to the Ogbologbo community in Ahoada West Local Government Area, to bring an end to the reign of terror of Ikem ThankGod, popularly known as 'General' 2man, a Greenland cult commander terrorising the LGA.

General 2man was an ally of the late notorious cultist and killer, 2Baba and General Odereke in the Ahoada area of the state.

The Public Relations Officer of Rivers State Police Command, SP Grace Iringe-Koko, listed some of the nefarious activities of the Greenland kingpin to include the shooting to death of Inspector Usang Ude, on April 13, 2023. Also were killings of four people, namely;

Henry Kirirka, Patience Henry, Abigail Victor, and Chigozie Okpo, on March 5, 2024.

Iringe-Koko said 'General 2man' also slaughtered one Samuel Philip without provocation and buried several people alive, including Christmas Ede and Agode Gamany, last month.

She said: "He carried out a lot of kidnapping activities within and outside the Ahoada West Local Government Area. His catalogue of criminal activities also include armed robbery and vandalism of valuable properties. He coordinates the de-roofing of public buildings and the selling of the roofing sheets.

"He also constituted himself as an authority that approves social events within the Local government area. This has made him attack and disrupt weddings, burials, etc., which he did not approve of.

"During the operation, General 2man and his gang

opened fire on the police tactical team. Though he was able to evade arrest, his second-in-command, ThankGod Uchechi aka, 'Pastor SP', and his third-in-command, 'Western King' Okpo Emenike, were fatally wounded.

"Several gang members escaped with gunshot injuries, and two loaded AK-47 rifles and eight magazines were recovered from the gang. Concerted efforts are in top gear to bring General 2man and his fleeing gang members to justice and put an end to his reign of terror."

Meanwhile, State Commissioner of Police, Tunji Disu, has commended the tactical team for their efforts and reiterated his commitment to fighting crimes in the state. Disu urged members of the public to feed the police with reliable information that could lead to the arrest of the fleeing suspects and other criminal elements in the state.