

The Police Command in Nasarawa State has arrested 21 commercial motorcyclists who allegedly killed a National Drug Law Enforcement Agency (NDLEA) personnel on April 18, in Karu.

Mr Adesina Soyemi, Commissioner of Police in the state, said this yesterday

Police arrest 21 commercial motorcyclists for allegedly killing NDLEA personnel

in Lafia, while parading the suspects alongside 29 others arrested for allegedly committing various criminal offences.

He said that the Divisional Police Officer, New Karu Divi-

sion, had on April 18, at about 9:30 p.m., received a distress call that commercial motorcyclists attacked an NDLEA personnel and were about to set his house ablaze.

Soyemi said upon receipt of the information, the DPO, Anti-Cultism unit and a crack-team led by the Assistant Commissioner of Police in charge of operations, swiftly mobilised to the scene at Koroduma, One man village.

He said the police on arrival at the scene, found the victim in the pool of his blood and rushed him to the hospital where the doctor confirmed him dead.

The Commissioner of Police said that a manhunt for the perpetrators was immediately launched, which paid off with the arrest of the 21 suspects who allegedly participated actively in the lynching of the NDLEA personnel to death.

He said that police recovered weapons including stones, metals and other hard objects used by the suspects to commit the crime as exhibits.

Unresolved murders in Bayelsa worries APC guber aspirant

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A Bayelsa State governorship hopeful on the platform of the All Progressives Congress (APC), Ebegha Tarelayefa, has expressed sadness over the killing of an APC chieftain, Sunday Frank-Oputu, saying the state was tired of unresolved murders.

He said the recent brutal killing of Frank-Oputu in his sleep at his residence in Yenagoa, the state capital, must be subjected to thorough investigation.

Tarelayefa in a statement said division and acts of violence would

only limit the chances of the party to win reasonable number of seats at the state and federal houses of assembly elections.

Tarelayefa asked the state government and security agencies especially the police to use the case of Frank-Oputu as a test case, describing the assassination of the APC chieftain as one too many.

The aspirant said such incidents had become a recurrent decimal because perpetrators were not found and brought to book.

He called for a true reconciliation of aggrieved APC members in Bayelsa insisting that to win the forthcoming election the party must embrace peace and unity.