

Osun: Police probe Islamic cleric's death

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The Osun State Police Command has launched a manhunt for a friend of an Islamic cleric, Kazeem Lasisi whose lifeless body was found floating at Owala River in Osun State.

The Police Public Relations Officer of the command, SP Yemisi Opalola who confirmed the development said the corpse of the missing Islamic cleric based in Ifon-Orolu in Orolu Local Government of Osun State, Kazeem Lasisi, has been found floating on the Owala River.

"The police have launched a hunt on prime suspect, identified as Ibrahim who reportedly left with the deceased to unknown destination in Ifon town on that faithful day, had not been seen until the corpse was discovered at a river floating."

According to police sources in Ifon town, the prime suspect and the deceased left for an undisclosed location on Friday and were not seen again until Lasisi's corpse was found floating on the river on Saturday.

A resident, who pleaded anonymity, confirmed that he was present at the scene when the body was retrieved from the river.

He said, "Relations of Lasisi that reported the matter to the hunters and police said one of his friends came to pick him up at home on Friday, but he (Lasisi), didn't return home since then and his family has been apprehensive."

"Everybody taught that maybe Lasisi was inside his room,

praying, but when they opened the door to his room, he was nowhere to be found.

"The matter was reported to the police and hunters that they saw Lasisi's mobile phone and the luggage he wanted to travel with inside his room."

Investigation according to PPRO has commenced into the matter.

She said "We are looking for that his friend that they said saw him last. When he is found, he will be able to shed light on what happened."

Police tackles bandits kill 1, recover motorcy

The Kaduna Police Command said it has killed one bandit and recovered one operational motorcycle after a fierce gun battle with group of them on motorcycles in military camouflage uniform during patrol in Kaduna.

The command made the disclosure in a statement issued and signed by its spokesman, DSP Mohammed Jalige, adding that the incident occurred at Kidanda, Giwa Local Government Area of the state.

"On Sunday 7/5/2023 at about 10:30hrs, Operatives attached to 47 Police Mobile Force (PMF), deployed to Kaya on routine patrol along Fatika Road, sighted a gang of armed bandits riding on motorcycles, dressed in military camouflage.