

DSP killed as soldiers, police uncover 10-man gang hideouts in Delta

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Eight out of the 10-man gang that allegedly killed a Deputy Superintendent of Police, DSP Sunday Okoebor, in Asaba, the Delta State capital, have been arrested.

They were unlucky as men of the Nigeria Army from 63 Brigade intercepted them.

Two were immediately incapacitated while two others escaped. The Army squad swiftly mobilised to their hideouts

where other gang members were arrested.

Eight among the suspects were identified by residents as those who have been dispossessing them of their belongings by terrorising the locality.

The Chief of Staff, 63 brigade Headquarters in Asaba, Col Ibrahim Gambari, said his men were tipped about the killing at Koka axis and they mobilised to the area.

He said his men were joined by the "Operation Hawk" squad of the police command in the state.

Adding that the suspects engaged them in shootout while one Aminu shot the DSP at close range and he died on the spot. He said, "Unfortunately, two of the criminals escaped with pomp actions. We incapacitated two, two escaped and we were able to arrest additional six. We also arrested

125 at their hideouts out of which eight were identified as robbers.

"We are going to hand them over to the police. We are only doing this "Operation Still Water" to ensure safe environment particularly this ember months, to maintain peace."

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