

# Police Kill 3 Robbers in Jigawa, Lagos

**M**en of the Jigawa State Police Command recorded a major success on the Gwaram-Basirka road last week when they dislodged a gang of armed robbers which has been terrorising travelers on the busy Jigawa-Bauchi-Gombe highway, while an armed robber was killed in Lagos.

According to the Deputy Commissioner of Police, Mr. Sunday Ogbonna, in charge of Special Anti-Robbery Operations in the State, the gang of robbers had been making life difficult for commuters until his men gathered enough security report to move against them.

In a press release signed by Ogbonna, he stated that the robbers numbering about seven opened fire on the patrol team when they approached scene.

He said Policemen were however able to outshoot the robbers killing three in the process.

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"Following intelligence reports, the Special Anti-robbery Squad embarked on extensive patrol of Gwaram/ Basirka road.

"At about 05.30hrs, the team approached the gang of armed robbers on operation numbering about seven.

There was a serious exchange of fire between the team and the armed robbers. Fortunately, the patrol team over powered the armed robbers and instantly killed three of the robbers, while four escaped with bullet wounds," he stated.

Ogbonna explained that the Police recovered two dane-guns, one single barrel pistol, four cutlasses, one bow and arrows, charm jackets, one hand set and five torch lights.

He added that efforts are being intensified to apprehend the fleeing four robbers, assuring the people of the State of adequate protection at all

time.

In recent times, the Jigawa State Police command has intensified efforts at reducing the incidence of violent crimes in the State, especially along some of the busy highways in the State.

Similarly in Lagos, Policemen from Onikan Police Station acting on a tip on a tip off arrested a suspected armed robber with locally made pistol and four live cartridges from a criminal hide out at Obalende. Also, a motorcycle with registration number QM 192 LND was recovered.

Also, Policemen from Ojo Police Station while on stop-and-search along Badagry expressway had a shoot out with armed robbers who were robbing passerby in a traffic jam around Volkswagen bus stop. One of the robbers died from the encounter. Two locally made pistol and eight cartridges recovered. The Police suffered no casualty.