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Police Arrest Three for Burying Boy, 18

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Nigeria Police officers

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For allegedly burying an 18-year-old boy, Sanmi Kehinde, who reportedly killed himself with his father's gun, the police in Ondo State have arrested three persons at Oriokuta Community in Akoko South-east Local Government Area of the state.

The deceased was said to have shot himself last Wednesday.

The Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO) in the Ondo State Command, Mr. Wole Ogodo, said the suspects were arrested because the family of the deceased did not make any attempt to report the case of self killing to the police before hurriedly burying him.

According to the police spokesman, the police had commenced investigation to unravel the circumstance that could lead to the death of the teenager, adding that the police was still awaiting the autopsy report to move forward on the investigation.

His words: "Immediately the incident happened, neither the family nor the neighbours reported the case to the police before they went ahead to bury the

deceased, that is why the police make some arrest on the incident."

"When the boy killed himself, the police is supposed to be informed, so that the police would have visited that scene of the crime, and if the boy would be buried the order should come from the police.

"The post-mortem examination would be carried out because it is one of those things to be done. We should know whether it is true that the boy shot himself or not, if it is true that he shot himself, where is the gun? Why should they hurriedly buried him, that is why we are suspicious, and made the arrest," he said.

THISDAY gathered that on the fateful day, the deceased climbed the ceiling to carry his father's gun which was said to have been loaded with bullets in company of his friend identified as Bolu.

Immediately Bolu left the scene, it was also learnt, the people at the vicinity heard a heavy gunshot and on rushing to the scene, they met Sanmi rolling in the pool of his own blood.

Meanwhile, shortly after the incident, the family hurriedly buried the deceased without informing any of the security agencies.

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