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# One Suspected Kidnapper Killed, Five Arrested in Kwara

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**Hammed Shittu** in Ilorin

A combined operation of the men of Kwara State Police command and the local vigilance operatives yesterday in Elerinjare town in the Ifelodun Local Government Area of the state has led to arrest of five suspected members of a kidnap gang in their hideouts.

It was also gathered that a suspected kingpin of the gang was reportedly killed when the security operatives stormed the hideout during the operation.



One Pastor Oladipo, who had reportedly gone to deliver the ransom, was also seized by the kidnappers, while Mrs. Bola Ajiboye was released.

The kidnappers also demanded N5 million ransom for the release of Pastor Oladipo.


However, yesterday a vigilance team stormed the hideout of the suspected kidnappers and in an encounter, neutralised the alleged kingpin, while at least five others were arrested.

Reports said Pastor Johnson and Pastor Oladipo led the vigilance team to the hideout of the suspected kidnappers, which led to a crossfire and subsequent arrest of five other members of the gang.

Speaking on the development last night in Ilorin, the Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO) in the state, Mr. Ajayi Okasanmi, confirmed the arrest but said that the command was still expecting a detailed report to ascertain whether the suspects were actually the masterminds of the Elerinjare kidnapping incident.

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