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Police kill suspected robber in Niger •Recover stolen Prado jeep

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The police, on Saturday evening, engaged about 12 suspected robbers in a shoot-out on Kaduna-Abuja road and, in the process, killed one of the robbers.

Nigerian Tribune learnt that the incident occurred at Sabon-Wuse town, in Tafa Local Government Area of Niger State.

According to an eyewitness, the robbers had attacked and dispossessed one Mr Rotimi Aladetimi of his Toyota Prado Jeep with registration number Abuja 22 KWL.

It was learnt that policemen at the Sabo-Wuse station, who were alerted to the development, pursued the robbers, who then engaged them in a shoot-out, through which a tyre of the stolen vehicle got hit.

The robbers, who noticed that the jeep had been demobilised, as a result of the burst tyre, abandoned the vehicle and tried to escape.

One of the robbers, it was gathered, was first hit at the leg, but while he was still trying to escape, he was reportedly shot in the head, leading to his instant death.

The other robbers, the Nigerian Tribune learnt, however, escaped.

When contacted, the divisional police officer at Sabon-Wuse police station, Mr Sulaiman Rabi, confirmed the story, saying that a robber was killed among the 12-man robbery gang.

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