

Police nab robbery gang in Ilorin

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ILORIN — IT was a sweet revenge for men of Kwara State Police Command as a team of crack anti-riot policemen which trailed the 10-man gang of armed robbers who robbed a bank in Ilorin last Friday to Osogbo and killed

six of them.

The police Public Relations Officer in the state, DSP Marcus Gideon, who confirmed the incident in an interview with *Vanguard* added that a royal father assisted the police in the operation which led to the killing of the six armed robbers at a village in Osun State.

It would be recalled that an inspector of Police was killed last Friday afternoon, and millions of Naira carted away, following the raid by a ten man armed robbery gang in Afribank located in Challenge area of Ilorin.

It was the third time armed robbers would strike in banks in the last one month aside incessant robberies at the filling stations, and snatching of cars in the state capital since the assumption of the new Commissioner of Police in the state, Alh Audu Abubakar.

Worried by the alarming rates of armed robberies across the state, State coordinator of Odua People's Congress, Comrade Salami Olanrewaju, vowed to reduce the crime rate by 70% if given the opportunity and necessary recognition by the appropriate authorities.

The fresh bank robbery, according to an eye witness's account, which caused pandemonium in the busy area occurred at about 1.30 in the afternoon when the Muslims were trooping to attend *jum'at* at a popular mosque in the area.

The attack was carried out by the gang who quietly rode into the bank in a mercedes benz and toyota camry cars.

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