

2 men behead friend for his Okada in Cross River

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CALABAR—Operatives of Cross Rivers State Police Command, weekend, in Ugep, Yakkur Local Government Area, arrested two friends for allegedly conniving to behead a mutual friend of theirs and stealing his new motorcycle.

Meanwhile, a renown farmer in Mkpani, a community in the same local government area of Cross River, Francis Edet, weekend, reportedly died after drinking rat poison.

According to a reliable source, the beheaded *okadaman*, Mike, was reportedly asked by his assailants to take them from Ugep to a neighbouring village, Agoi.

According to the source, “on the way to Agoi, his friends asked him to stop so they can ease themselves. As soon as he stopped, they brought out machetes, cut off his head, threw his body into the bush and made away with his motorcycle.”

He narrated that luck, however, ran against the two men when the motorcycle was spotted by another of the deceased’s friends, while his assailants were negotiating to sell it.

He continued: “The friend raised the alarm and the Obol Lupon of Ugep was informed of what happened.

“He directed that the two men be handed over to the Police and, as I speak to you, the two are in Police custody.”

Police confirm incident

Ms Irene Ugbo, the Police Public Relations Officer for Cross River State Police Command, said the duo are undergoing interrogation and would soon appear in court once investigations are concluded.