Meanwhile, the CP disclosed yesterday that police in Edo have killed a suspected kidnapper and arrested no fewer than 46 other suspected criminals in the last few weeks.

He said Police operatives also recovered 126 assorted arms and ammunition from the suspects.

Among those arrested, he said, were 17 suspected kidnappers of some clerics at Urhonigbe near Agbor, Delta State.

The commissioner said investigation showed that the same suspects were responsible for the kidnap of one Anthony Atemagbo, his wife and daughter on Ubiaja-Uromi Road in Edo.

Kokumo said that while detectives successfully arrested the criminals in their hideouts, they also rescued their victims unhurt.

He also said that nine robbery suspects and 20 suspected cultists were among those arrested in different parts of the state.