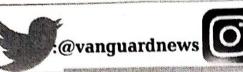
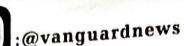
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3 students nabbed for allegedly raping JSS student in Ondo school •Edo Police arrests 7 for cultism, killing

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▲ KURE—Three Senior Sec **H**ondary School students have been arrested by police detectives in Ondo State for allegedly gang-raping a junior female student within the school premises.

Police sources said the suspects lured a 14-year-old student into the bush at the back of the school gate and gangraped her last Thursday.

Vanguard learned that one of the suspects had earlier requested a relationship with the victim, which was turned down.

A source told Vanguard:

"The boys monitored and ambushed the female student at the lonely place within the school during the break period.

"The victim went into a nearby bush in the school to defecate and on her way back, one of the boys noticed her and invited his two friends to join him in the ungodly act, which took place in an isolated place within the school premises.

"The three boys thereafter waylaid and raped her in turn. It was gathered that the girl's classmates, who saw her blood-stained uniform in the classroom raised the alarm.

"The school authorities were informed of the development and the police were invited leading to the arrests of the suspects."

The state police image maker, Funmi Odunlami, who confirmed the ugly incident, noted that it was a case of conspiracy and defilement against the trio, adding that the suspects have been arrested and are in their custody.

Edo Police arrests 7 for cultism, killing

Meanwhile, Police in Edo State said three suspected members of the Eive confraternity have been arrested for cult-related activities while four others are in its custody over the alleged killing of a yetedly stealing an unregistered motorcycle.

A statement by the Police Puhlic Relations Officer, Chidi Nwabuzor, said the suspected cultists were arrested around Nomayo area in Upper Sokponba Road while the four for extrajudicial killings were picked up in Iyanamo community near Ekheuan Barracks.

"Four persons linked to the death of the deceased have been arrested and are assisting the Police in their investigation, he said.

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