

2 Police gun down another Rivers terror gang leader, 3 allies

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PORT HARCOURT— POLICE in Rivers State have gunned down a dreaded terror gang leader, Wondi Amadi, with three of his members, including one female in yet another gun battle as Commissioner of Police, Rivers Command, Nwonyi Emeka, intensifies offensive against criminals.

Emeka, disclosing this in Port Harcourt, yesterday, said Amadi and his gang have been on the wanted list of the Police just as Emohua Local Government, Chairman, Chidi Lloyd, had placed a N2 million bounty on him.

He said: "On June 13, 2023, about 02:30 hours, operatives of the command spotted a notorious kidnapping gang headed by one Wondi Amadi, 20yrs, who hailed from Eflirada, Emohua LGA and his gang somewhere at Ogohoma, Okrika LGA.

"On sighting the police, the hoodlums opened gunfire, but were overpowered. The gang leader and three gang members, including a female were fatally wounded. They were rushed to the University of Port Harcourt Teaching Hospital for treatment and doctor on duty confirmed they were dead.

Amadi and his gang have been on the wanted list of the Police. He has killed policemen, innocent citizens and has been terrorising the East-West Road, kidnapping and robbing for ransom and has made the Eflirada indigenes desert their homes.

"Exhibits recovered from them include one AK-47 rifle with 25 rounds of 7.62 x 32mm, one assault rifle with 20 rounds of live ammunition, one pump action with four live cartridges, and assorted charms. Investigation is ongoing."

He also disclosed that on June 9, five travellers entering Rivers from Osun State, who were kidnapped on the East-West Road between Eveku and Oduoha in Emohua were rescued by men of the command from a forest den of the kidnappers.

In the summary of his command's latest crime fighting efforts, CP Emeka said suspects were arrested, firearms, bullet cartridges and 45 ammunition also recovered and nine kidnappers rescued.