

Police in Delta kill 2 abductors of poly students

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ASABA — OPERATIVES of the Delta State Police Command and men of the 63 Brigade Nigerian Army base have shot dead two suspected kidnappers in a gun battle in Ogwashi-Ukwu forest, Aniocha South Local Government Area of the state.

The state Commission of Police, Mr Olufemi Abaniwonda, disclosed this, yesterday, when he briefed newsmen at the command's

• Arrest 211 kidnap, other suspects in July

headquarters, Asaba.

He said the deceased were suspected abductors of two female Polytechnic students.

He said: "On 30/07/2025 about 2300hrs Operatives of Special Anti-Kidnapping and Cybercrime Squad in a combined effort with men of Nigeria Army attached to 63 Brigade Nigerian Army base, embarked on an intelligence led operation and stormed Ogwashi-Ukwu forest cum hideout of some suspected

kidnappers who kidnapped two polytechnic female students on 23/07/2025 at Asagba Ogwashi.

"The combined teams engaged the suspected kidnappers in a gun duel, which led to the death of two suspected kidnappers.

"One AK-47 rifle, 39 rounds of live ammunition, a bag containing the sum of N3.5million suspected to be ransom collected from one of their victims, were recovered."

Abaniwonda further disclosed that

211 suspects involved in various crimes were arrested by the command in the month of July, 2025.

He said N8.5 million ransom fee, 18 firearms, 359 ammunition and cartridges and 378 laptops were also recovered in the month of July.

Among those arrested were 15 suspected kidnappers, 184 suspected internet fraudsters, seven suspected cultist and five suspected drug dealers.