



Lagos State Police Command arrests five suspects over vandalism and theft | 1

The Lagos State Police Command has arrested five suspected for allegedly vandalizing telecommunication masts and recovered a truckload of suspected stolen iron rods at Ibeju-Lekki, during an enforcement operation.

According to the statement signed 22nd August, 2026 from the Command, the arrest forms a part of intensified efforts by the Command, to curb the vandalism and theft of critical infrastructure across the state.

The statement alleged that the suspects were caught stealing iron poles meant for the construction of telecommunication masts, which as followed by their arrests while conveying the allegedly stolen iron rods in a truck.

The statement also revealed the suspects to all be male adults, namely Mohammed Shaibu, Musa Zakari, Abdullahi Bala, Salisu Musa and Yahuza Bala, all of which were between the ages of 18 to 29 years of age.

According to the statement, the suspects are currently in Police custody, with the case currently under investigation at the State Criminal Investigation Department (SCID), Yaba. It added that discreet investigation is ongoing to apprehend other fleeing suspects and uncover the full extent of their criminal activities.

Furthermore, the Command expressed appreciation towards the 81 Division, Nigerian Army, for its cooperation, which contributed greatly to the success of the operation and arrest of the suspects.

Additionally, the Commissioner of Police, Lagos State Command, CP Tijani Fatai, psc, mnips, reaffirmed the Command's commitment to protect critical infrastructure and bring perpetrators of vandalism to justice while he urged residents to provide credible information on suspicious activities within their communities, promptly.

The statement also encouraged members of the public to report emergencies and suspicious activities through the Lagos State Police Command emergency lines: 07061019374, 08065154338, 08063299264, 08039344870, 08080193432 (Marine), and 09168630929.