

MAYOR CONDEMNS BRUTAL MURDERS

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Kopanong Local Municipality mayor, Xolile Matwa, this week visited relatives of a white elderly couple who were recently brutally stabbed to death.

Matwa condemned the murders in the strongest possible terms.

Gordon and his wife Launa Adams, both in their 70's, were attacked and murdered in their home at Bethulie last Friday. Both victims had stab wounds.

The couple's bakkie was stolen and their house safe was broken into. It is believed that the suspects used the couple's Toyota bakkie to flee from the scene. Police also discovered that two fire arms belonging to the couple were also missing.

Police nabbed five suspects aged between 17 and 25 in the early hours of Wednesday. They recovered a 7.65 pistol and are still looking for another firearm. One of the suspects pointed out the area 30 km outside Edenburg where one of the stolen firearms was dumped.

Matwa expressed shock at the gruesome murders, adding that what made them even more horrific was that the victims were innocent senior citizens.

The mayor pointed out that every South African has right to live in peace and harmony regardless of their colour or tribe: "A crime is a crime regardless the colour of the victim's skin."

The provincial commissioner of police, Lieutenant-General Khehla Sithole, lauded the local SAPS members for their efforts which led to the apprehension of the suspects.

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