

cong, confirmed the incident, saying they have arrested some family

The area LCI chairman, Mr Patrick Okao, said the deceased was shot by

who reportedly handed himself over to the police last Friday.

Friday when he emerged with a gun.

not seen. [Cissy Makumbi,monitor]

Fewer incidents as Acholi celebrates Christmas - police

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GULU. Police have recorded fewer incidents of crime within Acholi Sub-region thanks to the deployment of Uganda People's Defence Forces soldiers and police in major hotspots in the region.

Aswa Regional Police spokesperson Jimmy Okema told *Daily Monitor* on Monday that Acholi Sub-region was largely peaceful during the Christmas festivities with only a few minor inci-

dents registered.

Citing Gulu Municipality that was recently hit by a wave of insecurity, Mr Okema said they only recorded one case of a man suspected to have been attacked by iron bar hit men.

Recently, unknown iron bar hit men raided Gulu Municipality killing two people and injuring several others. The victims were mostly attacked at night.

Mr Okema identified the victim as Stephen Alikor, 30, who was hit by iron bar hitmen at Bank Lane street

and is currently undergoing treatment at Gulu Regional Referral Hospital.

He said police have since arrested and detained a suspect in connection with the attack, but noted that investigations are ongoing to ascertain whether the victim was attacked by thugs or colleagues after a quarrel.

Assault cases in Kitgum

In Kitgum District, police registered a case of murder resulting from assault after a man during a heated ar-

gument pushed his colleague who hit his head on the floor and later died.

He identified the deceased as Alex Okumu and the suspect as Vincent Oweka, who has since handed himself over to police at Kitgum Central Police Station.

Mr Okema said the suspect will be charged with murder after investigations are complete.

Defilement case in Gulu

Mr Okema also disclosed that they have arrested a 20-years-old man

over defiling a 10-year-old girl in Layibi Division. He said the suspect is currently detained at Gulu Central Police Station.

"The girl has been hospitalised for examination on her. The suspect will also be subjected to medical test to examine his HIV/Aids status and mental health," Mr Okema said.

He called on vigilance from the locals in the region on their personal security and protection of young girls by parents during this festive season.