



The Canter truck laden with stolen beans at Kagadi. Photo by Ismael Kasoocha

Four men arrested over stealing beans

KAGADI

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The Police in Kagadi are holding four men in connection with breaking into a store of beans and loading 43 bags on to a truck headed for Kampala.

The owner of the beans, identified as Kugonza Irumba told *New Vision* that at around 3:30am on Friday, while sleeping in the room next to the store, he heard the sound of a vehicle door closing and when he opened the door, he saw the vehicles speeding off.

When Irumba checked his store, he discovered it was wide open and empty. He immediately jumped onto a motorcycle and started chasing after the thieves.

When Irumba reached Kagadi town, he hired a car to continue with the chase and called the Police.

He said he as the truck approached Mugarama trading centre, the men abandoned the vehicle and

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fled into the bush.

"When we got to the vehicle, I discovered the beans. I alerted Police in Kabasekende, who impounded the truck with the beans," Irumba said.

The beans are valued at between sh260,000 to 300,000 per bag.

On Friday, the men came out of the bush and wanted to board a taxi to Kampala but were stopped by civilians and handed over to Police.

Simon Peter Aimai, the officer in charge of operations at Kagadi Police Station,

confirmed that they have in custody four men on charges of house break-in and theft.

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He said that they are currently carrying out investigations and once the file is ready, it will be forwarded to the resident state attorney so that the suspects are arraigned in court.

Bodaboda theft

The Police are also holding a bodaboda cyclist who is accused of stealing a Bajaj motorcycle registration number UEP 703E.

Innocent Mugerwa, a resident of Kagadi town, was arrested in Kyegegwa after allegedly stealing the motorcycle from Kagadi town.