

Army Confirms Death Of NYSC Member Caught In Crossfire With Armed Robbers In Abuja



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Guards Brigade has confirmed the death of a serving National Youth Service Corps (NYSC) member, Mr Abdulsamad Jamiu, who was caught in a crossfire with armed robbers in the Dei Dei area of Abuja.

A statement by the Acting Assistant Director of Army Public Relations Headquarters Guards Brigade, Lt Olawuyi Odubola, said the incident occurred on 25 April 2026 at Shagari Estate, Dei-Dei, when troops of the Guards Brigade Quick Response Group, on routine night patrol, responded to a distress call following an armed robbery attack in the area.

She said troops, upon arrival, came under gunfire from the fleeing armed robbers, resulting in a brief but intense exchange.

“In the course of the engagement, Mr Jamiu was caught in the crossfire.”

She said despite efforts by troops to secure the area and preserve lives, “he sadly succumbed to his injuries.

His heartbreaking loss has cast a deep shadow over all personnel of the Guards Brigade.”

She said the Brigade had since “initiated a thorough investigation to ascertain the circumstances surrounding the incident. We remain committed to transparency and accountability, and findings will be made available in due course.”

According to her, preliminary information indicates that the situation was fluid and highly volatile, as troops worked to repel the attackers and protect residents of the community from harm.

The Commander, Guards Brigade, offered deep and heartfelt condolences to the family of the deceased, the National Youth Service Corps, and all affected by this painful loss.

“We share in their grief and stand in solidarity with them during this moment of profound sorrow,”

The statement said the remains of the deceased have been handed over to the appropriate civil authorities and deposited at Kubwa General Hospital.

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Guards Brigade reaffirmed its commitment to the protection of lives and property within the Federal Capital Territory.

We will continue to review our operational procedures to enhance civilian safety further, even as our troops confront criminal elements who threaten the peace of our communities,” she added.

The Brigade, therefore, urged the general public to remain calm and continue to cooperate with security agencies as we work collectively to maintain safety and security.