

# Youth clashes claim life of middle-aged man in Ibadan

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A middle-aged man identified as Kehinde has been killed while several others sustained varying degrees of injuries following a clash among youths in Asalu community, Lalupon, in Lagelu Local Government Area of Oyo State.

The incident, which occurred in the community on the outskirts of Ibadan, reportedly involved youths who engaged in a violent confrontation that led to the fatal attack on the victim.

Kehinde was allegedly attacked with dangerous weapons during the clash, resulting in injuries that later led to his death.

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Confirming the incident in a statement made available to journalists in Ibadan on Monday, the Police Public Relations Officer of the Oyo State Police Command, Ayanlade Olayinka, said one suspect, Giwa Sodiq, had been arrested in connection with the alleged murder.

According to the police, the victim was killed during a violent altercation involving a group of youths in the community.

"The preliminary investigation revealed that community authorities reported the incident to the Iyana-Offa Division after they were alerted by community security guards about a confrontation involving a group of youths within the community while residents were asleep," the statement said.

It added that those injured in the clash were immediately taken to Ojo Oluwa Hospital in Iyana-Offa for treatment, where one of the victims, identified as Kehinde, also known as "Ogo Ojigbo," later died from his injuries.

The police further stated that upon receiving the report, a team of operatives led by the Divisional Police Officer of the Iyana-Offa Division moved swiftly to the scene and the hospital to commence investigation.

"Photographs were taken for documentation purposes, and one suspect, Giwa Sodiq, was arrested in connection with the incident," the statement added.

The body of the deceased has been deposited at the morgue of Adeoyo State Hospital, Ring Road, Ibadan, for preservation and autopsy.

Police said efforts are ongoing to apprehend other suspects who fled the scene to ensure they face prosecution.

The Commissioner of Police in the state, Femi Haruna, commended the swift response of police operatives and urged residents to remain vigilant and promptly report criminal activities.

Haruna also appealed to members of the public with credible information that could assist in the arrest of the fleeing suspects to come forward and assist the police.

The command urged residents to continue cooperating with security agencies to ensure that communities remain safe and secure.