

# Trigger-happy policeman shoots teenager dead in Oyo

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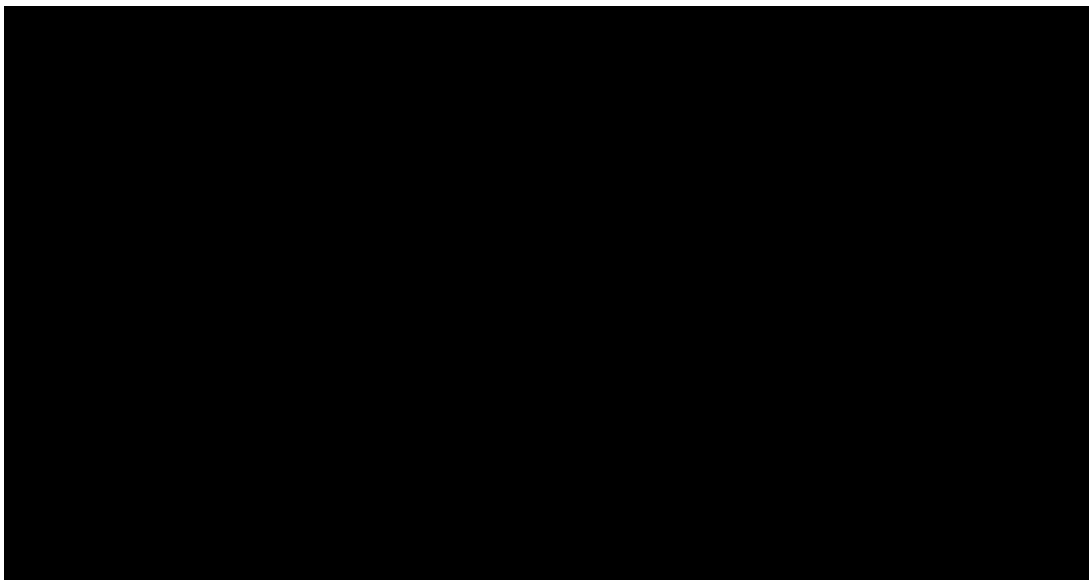
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A yet-to-be-identified trigger-happy policeman has allegedly shot a teenager identified simply as DMX dead in the Alakia area of Ibadan, Oyo State.

PUNCH Metro learnt that the incident occurred on Tuesday after an altercation between the officer and the deceased victim.

A source familiar with the matter told our correspondent on Wednesday that the disagreement escalated, thereby prompting the officer to shoot the teenager in the leg.

He said the victim was later rushed to the hospital by his friends, but did not survive the gunshot wound.



“DMX had an issue with a police officer. The altercation escalated, and the officer shot him in the leg. His friends were alerted, and they came and rushed him to the hospital. The teenager had already lost a significant amount of blood before receiving medical attention,” the source narrated.

The incident first gained public attention after an X user, @Sturbyrich65562, raised an alarm online, insisting that the teenager did not engage in any physical confrontation with the policeman.

“Naija police killed one of my area gees. Though he’s a member of the Eiye confraternity, he did not fight the policeman.

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“He was shot in Ibadan. I think the policeman was trigger-happy based on what I heard,” the user posted while tagging an anti-cultism advocacy group, Naija Confra.

Naija Confra, in a separate post on Tuesday, corroborated claims that the deceased suffered delayed medical intervention.

“He was rushed to the hospital alive, and payment was made for blood as he was already losing a lot of blood. However, his friends claim that delays and negligence from the hospital, even after payment, contributed to his death,” the platform stated.

The group added that DMX’s father is reportedly a high-ranking police officer.

The state Police Public Relations Officer, Adewale Oyefeso, could not be reached for a reaction as calls made to his telephone line were not responded to. A text message sent to him had yet to be replied to as of the time of filing this report.

The shooting comes amid growing public concern over the conduct of security operatives, including excessive use of force.

*PUNCH Metro reported in August that a motorcycle rider identified simply as Muazu was shot dead in the Onosa community in the Elemoro area of Ibeju-Lekki, Lagos State.*