

# Police probe killing of Rivers ushering manager

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File photo of SP Grace Iringe-Koko, Spokesperson for the Rivers State Police Command

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The Rivers State Police Command has launched a full-scale investigation into the killing of an ushering manager, popularly known as ‘Special’, by yet-to-be-identified gunmen in Port Harcourt.

*PUNCH Metro* gathered that the victim, identified as Special Bensington, was in the company of her friend, Miss Divine Anyanwu, when the incident occurred.

The duo were reportedly on a Bolt ride to an event centre along Odili Road when they were attacked.

The police said the assailants, suspected to have trailed the victims from a hotel where they boarded the ride, followed them in a tricycle and opened fire along the Total Gospel area, off Odili Road.

The spokesperson for the state police command, Grace Iringe-Koko, disclosed this in a statement issued in Port Harcourt on Thursday.

She said the incident, which occurred on March 21 at about 4:30 p.m., was reported by Anyanwu at the Abuloma Police Division.

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According to the statement, the victim sustained gunshot injuries during the attack and was rushed to the BMH Hospital, Port Harcourt, where she was later confirmed dead by a doctor while receiving treatment.

“Following the report, the Divisional Police Officer, Abuloma Division, alongside his team, visited both the scene of the incident and the hospital. The deceased has been deposited in the mortuary for autopsy,” the statement read.

Iringe-Koko added that the case has been transferred to the State Criminal Investigation Department for discreet forensic investigation.

“The command strongly condemns this gruesome act and assures the public that the perpetrators will be brought to justice,” she said.

She urged members of the public with useful information to assist the investigation to come forward or report to the nearest police station.

The police also assured residents that updates would be provided as the investigation progresses.