

Mobile Policeman Kills Truck Conductor in Rivers

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TRAGEDY struck in Port Harcourt as a yet to-be-identified Mobile Police officer attached to a new generation bank killed a company truck conductor in the Rivers state capital last Friday evening.

The conductor was shot dead by the police officer on the Trans-Amadi Industrial layout in the heart of the city at about 6pm.

The sudden killing of the company conductor in the state, which attracted large crowd of people as most passersby, expressed dismay at the sad incident.

The yet to-be-identified officer opened fire on the truck conductor as he heard shout of thief, thief on the major road in the city.

The police officer took to his heels as he saw the conductor slump and gave up the ghost.

Narrating the sad incident to our correspondent who visited the scene of the killing, the driver of the truck, which belongs to SDC Company, said both of them arrived the state from Lagos before he met his waterloo in the hand of the police officer.

According to the driver who also did not disclose his identity said the police shot the conductor when he heard some youths shouting thief, thief as the armed robber was chased by some group before the police officer fired at the conductor mistaken to the robber.

The driver said the deceased conductor married few months ago.

The remains of the truck conductor had been deposited in a mortuary, even as efforts to speak with the SDC management on the killing proved fruitless.

Contacted for comments on the matter, Police commissioner for the state, Mr. Felix Ogbaudu while confirming the incident said the police officer would be prosecuted accordingly.

He blamed the officer for shooting at the suspected robber without proper identification.