

Gunmen kill man in Enugu

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Unknown gunmen last Friday evening in Enugu shot and killed a middle aged man, Ceracus Egesi, Public Relation Officer, Enugu Police Command, Mr Ebere Amaraizu, said.

Amaraizu told the *News Agency of Nigeria (NAN)* last Saturday that Egesi was attacked at Holy Ghost section of the town by unknown gunmen while coming from the bank where he had gone to withdraw money.

According to Amaraizu, Egesi was shot in the chest while driving his Mercedes 190.

“The hoodlums might have trailed him without his knowledge. The boys came in a motorbike, double crossed and fired him.

“They went to the boot and took away the money,” he said.

He said full investigation had commenced on the matter, saying that in no distant time the police would bring the culprits to book.

NAN learnt that the hoodlums made away with N1.5 million belonging to the deceased after shooting sporadically into the air to scare away people.

This is the second time such incident is happening in Enugu metropolis in less than three weeks.

A white man, whose name could not be ascertained, was killed in the same manner somewhere in New Haven recently while buying a car.

Meanwhile, some residents of Enugu metropolis have called for urgent steps to check the rising crime rate in the area.

One of them, an engineer with a construction company in Enugu, who spoke on grounds of anonymity, said the trend was capable of crippling business if not urgently tackled.

He challenged the Police to be proactive in their approach, adding that with rapid intervention, they would be able to nab Egesi’s killers.

Mr. Ben Mmadu, a trader at Ogbete market, the nearest market to where the incident occurred, said the matter was sympathetic.

“This young man died helplessly. No body could come to his help even when the hoodlums had gone.

“I don’t know the type of police force we have. Enugu is becoming insecure like other parts of the zone, so we are calling on the governor to do something,” Mmadu said.