

Robbers kill policeman in Gombe

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THE killing of a Police Inspector in Gombe Tuesday evening by suspected armed robbers is sending fears to residents and serious security challenges to the State Police Command.

The fears is heightened by the way the operations of the killings is always carried out in recent times which takes the form of the Commando style of the dreaded Boko Haram sect in Borno and Bauchi states.

However, the Police Command through its Police

Public Relations Officer, ASP Ahmed Doma told reporters that information reaching them indicated that the Police Inspector, Ibrahim Adamu was shot three times after the robbers finished an operation in a building material shop that was just adjacent to the Police Outpost situated at the Gombe Railway Station.

He said the Command immediately swing into action even though there has not been any arrest made as the time of filing this report. He added that the Policeman who was just relived from duty and in mufti was

immediately rushed to the Federal Medical Centre.

An eye witness to the incident who incidentally is the state Chairman of the Police Community Relations Committee, Wada Sadiq Abubakar told Journalists that contrary to rumours circulating in town that it was a Boko Haram attack, it was an armed robbery operation which happened few metres away from where he was.

He added that what he gathered from people who were scampering as soon as the gun shot was heard, was that the robbers sported the Policeman making a

phone call but could not tell whether the robbers know him as a Policeman.

According to him, "if that is the case, I guess they may have considered him as a risk to their operation and probably the reason why he was shot three times. I also heard the gun shots".

In the meantime, the command has called on the public to remain calm and go about their normal activities, as the Police is on top of the situation.

It would be recalled that the state capital has recently witnessed similar attacks in different parts of the town which has resulted in the death of a number of persons.