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street, not minding passersby and attacked their victim. They shot him in the face and attacked him with machete.

The gunshot was said to have made the passersby, especially those returning from church to scamper for safety, thus making the boys to escape without resistance.

It was gathered that passersby later rushed to help the victim after the boys had left, while others alerted the police, who came after a while and rushed the boy to an undisclosed hospital.

2 Similar cult-related

killing was witnessed around High level, Makurdi, last Wednesday, when two young men were shot.

Meanwhile, unknown gunmen killed a young man and injured two others earlier on Sunday in Gboko area of the state.

The incident, according to report, occurred around 8.45 a.m, when unknown gunmen chased and shot a young man on his motorcycle at Sobaz Nigeria Limited, a popular gas station in Yandey roundabout.

The young man, who was said to hail from Buruku Local Government Area of the state, fell from

his motorcycle, sustaining injuries, but his killers ensured he was dead by shooting him several times in the neck before taking off.

Also caught up in the fire was an motorcyclist, who came to get fuel at the station and a little girl who was there to fetch water. Both were wounded, but quickly rushed to the hospital for treatment.

Efforts to get confirmation from the state police spokesperson, ASP Ausitn Ezeani, were not successful, as his phone was not connecting as of the time of filing this report.

Others that had earlier complied with a 100 per cent success were Aniocha North and South, Patani, Isoko North and South, Udu, Ika South, Ika North East, Oshimili North and South, Ukwuani and Ndokwa East and West.

Also on strike were Ughelli North and South, Okpe, Sapele, Ethiope East and West, Warri South and Uvwie local government areas.

It will be recalled that workers, under the aegis of the National Union of Local Government Employees (NULGE) in the 21 out of the 25 local government areas of the state had, from May 11, gone on indefinite industrial action, shutting down activities in the secretariats over unpaid backlogs of salaries of about four months.

As of last week, checks revealed that there was total compliance to the strike in the affected local government areas of the state, as