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Gunmen kill Oyo Lawmaker

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A lawmaker representing Oorelope constituency in the Oyo State House of Assembly, Hon. Gideon Aremu, was shot dead by yet-to-be-identified gunmen at Alakia, in the Egbeda Local Government Area of Oyo State on Friday evening.

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Eye witness accounts said the lawmaker was murdered in front of his house by the killers who had trailed him to his Alakia residence, before opening fire on him.

Hon. Aremu, until his demise, was the only opposition lawmaker in the Oke Ogun area, as his other nine colleagues are from the ruling All Progressives Congress (APC).

The Police Police Relation Officer (PPRO) for the State Command, Adekunle Ajisebutu, while confirming the incident, told Daily Trust that investigation was ongoing.

"I can confirm that the incident happened late yesterday (Friday), and the police have swung into action," he said, adding that the Commissioner, Mr. Leye Oyebade had already deployed human and material resources in tracking down the culprits.

"We can assure the public that very soon, we will apprehend those behind this cruel act. We equally want to appeal to members of the public who have information that will help our course to come forward," Ajisebutu stated.

It will be recalled that the Appeal Court upheld the election of the Labour Party lawmaker last December, thus affirming the ruling of the election tribunal.



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