

① Anger as expectant mother dies over police officers' delay in Ogun

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An expectant mother yesterday died following a delay she allegedly experienced in the hands of some police officers at Ibi-Ade in Ogun Waterside Local Government Area of Ogun State.

Daily Trust gathered that the woman, whose name has not been ascertained, was due for child delivery and while on her way to the hospital, police officers enforcing the lockdown order stopped the bike conveying her at a checkpoint.

An eyewitness told our correspondent that the "overzealous officers" delayed the pregnant woman who was "already bleeding" for hours before the motorcyclist was allowed to go.

In the process, it was said that the woman who had reportedly lost "huge blood", passed away shortly after her arrival at the hospital.

The incident which occurred on Wednesday night, however, infuriated the youths in the area who took to the street yesterday, venting their anger over the police action.

The Spokesman of the Police Command, Abimbola Oyeyemi, confirmed the incident, but absolved police officers of culpability in the woman's death.