

Policeman killed as gunmen abduct expatriates working on Lagos-Ibadan rail line

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A police escort has been shot dead while four Chinese expatriates working on the Lagos-Ibadan standard gauge railway have been abducted.

Our correspondent gathered that the gunmen laid ambush for the victims at Adeaga/Alaagba village a border community between Oyo and Ogun, on Wednesday.

The gunmen clad in black

caftan, reportedly stormed the site of the rail project at Adeaga/Alaagba village in Odeda Local Government Area of Ogun.

The Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO) in the state, Abimbola Oyeyemi, confirmed the incident on Thursday morning.

He disclosed that the command had deployed a tactical team to trail the gunmen.

He said: "It is true, the incident happened yesterday (Wednesday). The victims are Chinese expatriates working at the constitution site at the terminus of the railway around the Alaagba area, not far from Kila.

"The gunmen laid ambush for the victims on their way and they were attacked. A police officer escorting them was killed.

"We have started the

investigation since yesterday (Wednesday), we are on the trail of those people and hopefully, we are going to get them.

"All our tactical teams have been deployed to that direction and we are trying to locate them and we believe that by the grace of God we are going to get them."

President Muhammadu Buhari commissioned a section of the rail line in Lagos last week.