

Police kill 2 after attack on officers in Imo

● 2 die in oil firm explosion

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The police in Imo State have killed two gunmen that attacked its personnel at a checkpoint in Oguta on Tuesday.

The gunmen were said to have attacked policemen at Okpo-Efi junction on Agwa Ejemekwuru Road in Oguta LGA and cut off the manhood of one of the policemen after killing him.

The slain police officer, Ukam Efut, was serving at Agwa Police Division when he met his death while on patrol with two of his colleagues who sustained injuries.

Police spokesman in the state, CSP Mike Abattam, confirmed the incident to our correspondent on Wednesday, saying

policemen arrived the spot of the attack immediately and engaged the gunmen in a duel, killing two of them, while others escaped, adding that his men were on their trail.

CSP Abattam also confirmed a bomb blast in the early hours of Wednesday at an oil company in Izombe, Oguta LGA of the state.

He said the explosion occurred at a facility operated by Addax Petroleum Development Nigeria Limited, adding that the command had already deployed a squad from its anti-bomb unit and sent to the area to prevent breakdown of law and order.

A witness who pleaded anonymity told the News Agency of Nigeria (NAN) that two persons died in the explosion.