

Police kill 16-year-old artisan, injure 2 others in Jos

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Residents of New Market in Jos North Local Government Area of Plateau State have accused policemen attached to the C Division of extrajudicial killing of a 16-year-old boy, Usman Bala, and injuring of two others in the area.

Our correspondent reports that the two injured persons shot in their legs had been receiving treatment at Bingham Hospital, Jos.

The residents called on the Commissioner of Police, Bartholomew Onyeka, to take action against the policemen.

An eyewitness, Nazizu
Isah Nasale, said the
incident occurred when
police arrived in the area
between 7 and 8pm on
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He said, "The policemen are often brought from C Division stationed at New Market Junction. But in the last five days, the youths in the area have been complaining about how they come to molest tricycle riders and seize their tricycles.

"So, when they came yesterday, they seized a tricycle and the youth started shouting at them to stop. Before you know it, the police opened fire at people. They shot on the stomach and two others in the legs.

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The father of the deceased, Muhammad Bala, has called on the police authority to prosecute the officers.

"Yesterday, after we had observed the last prayer of the day (dusk), I was called to come to Bingham Hospital and I asked why? They said I should just come. On getting there, I was told that my child was shot dead by the police. No security personnel have so far come to my house with regard to the incident.

"I am not going to tolerate this extrajudicial killing. The police commissioner should come into this matter to unravel the circumstances behind the killing. My son was innocent. He is a leatherworker and he went to a shop around the area to buy water gum to make some bags," the father said.

When contacted, the police spokesperson in the state, DSP Alabo Alfred, who confirmed the incident, denied that the policemen seized any tricycle.

He said, "Based on the recent killing of two market security guards in Kasuwan Dare and New Market, the police officers went out. On getting there, the policemen were attacked by some 'Sara Suka' boys who came in their numbers, stoned the police car and even wounded the driver. The police fired back to escape. We are on top of the situation."

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