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A TOYOTA Hilux vehicle driver, Mr. Godday Umoren, on the employ of Azikel dredging and construction company, was yesterday evening allegedly shot dead by a trigger-happy policeman at the Swali Market junction in Yenagoa, Bayelsa State.

Meanwhile, a police inspector attached to one of the new generation banks on Warehouse Road, Apapa, Lagos, was yesterday killed during a shoot-out with a five-man robbery gang who invaded the bank.

The Bayelsa incident, according to eye-witnesses, occurred at about 2.00 p.m. as the driver who was sent on an errand was returning back to his company base before he met his death.

The source said the driver, on getting to a road construction site where the police officer was guarding, was ordered to turn back, but he informed the policeman that there were vehicles behind him and could not reverse as directed.

According to the source, this infuriated the policeman who began to hit the butt of his gun on the vehicle and the driver out of fear wound up the side glass and the policeman just ran to the front of the vehicle and shot the driver from the windscreen and he died instantly.

The dead cop, identified as Inspector Taye Ajetunmobi, who was reportedly brave even at the point of death, foiled the robbers' attempt to break into the financial house.

However, two suspected members of the gang were shot dead by his colleagues who were on patrol at about 11.00 a.m.

It was gathered that the robbers, who pretended to be customers, attempted to enter the bank but were accosted by the inspector who suspected them.

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