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TRICYCLE operators popularly called 'Keke Marwa', and street urchins in Meiran outskirts of Lagos yesterday went on the rampage over the killing of Dele Oroja, the chairman of Meiran/Ilepo branch of Three Wheelers Association of Nigeria by a Police Corporal, Abbey Adekunle, on Thursday night.

Lagos State Police boss, Alhaji Umar Manko, who condemned the act of the policemen said he was drunk.



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The Guardian gathered that the Police Corporal had abandoned the scene where the shooting occurred and escaped.

The protesting operators invaded the Meiran Police station where the Corporal was serving, threatening to burn down the place and demanding that the policeman who killed their leader be handed over to them.

However, Manko said the Corporal has been arrested and is currently being interrogated at the State Criminal Investigation Department (SCID), Panti, Yaba after which he would be handed over to a civil court for trial.

It was gathered that the protesters succeeded in pulling down the gate of the Police station and also set up a bonfire before reinforcement from the state command headquarters, led by the Commissioner of Police, himself arrived the scene and dispersed them.

Manko, who arrived the scene accompanied by over 50 operatives of the Rapid Response Squad (RRS), and his other lieutenants urged the protesters to leave the area and be law-abiding.

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