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# How pregnant woman was killed by assailants in Lagos

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A pregnant woman was yesterday stabbed to death, while her husband, two children and a neighbour are in critical condition and receiving treatment at the Emergency Unit of the Ikorodu General Hospital, Lagos.

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A notorious killer gang had stormed the Oluwoye Community in Ikpakodo area of Ikorodu yesterday morning and left the families of Mr. Abe Kazeem and Sunday Robert in the pool of their own blood.

The community is yet to come to terms with the attacks.



A resident, Matthew Mogalu, explained how the families were attacked: “It was not the first time such an incident has happened. A killer gang, whose motives we don’t know, yesterday stormed the house of Kazeem.

“The gang believed to be militants gained access through the window. The men, though were heavily armed, did not shoot their victims. They hit the family with iron rod before they stabbed them several times.

“Kazeem was stabbed in the neck and hit with iron rod. His pregnant wife, Afusatu, was hit with iron rod on her stomach before she was stabbed severally.

“Her two children were stabbed severally too. I think the woman died because of her pregnant situation.”

He continued: “Robert is living close to the Kazeems. I think he raised the alarm when he saw the killer squad and the hoodlums got angry and went after him.

“He was hit with grinding stone before he was stabbed.

“It was the groaning of Robert that attracted a neighbour, who raised the alarm that Robert had not come out since morning.

“When his door was opened, we saw Robert lying in the pool of his blood. He was pointing at Kazeem’s house.

“Some of us rushed him to the hospital, while some raced to Kazeem’s house. When we arrived Kazeem’s house, what we saw is better imagined.

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“His wife has died. He and his two children were unconscious. We rushed them to the hospital too.

“As I am talking to you, I don’t know their condition. In fact, their conditions were so critical that only God’s intervention can save them from death.

“This is not the first time this type of incident is happening in this area. About two months ago, a family of a taxi driver was wiped out in a similar was, but they were shot. I think members of the killer squad are militants who are sending a warning signal to us.

“I am appealing to the Lagos State Police Command to intensify patrol in Ikorodu area. We have vigilante groups in this area, but they have failed us. I don’t know why a crime of this magnitude should happen twice in a month without a suspect being caught.”

Another resident, Emmanuel Ibe, is of different opinion. “I think the gang are armed robbers who came to terrorise us. I think the families resisted the robbers.

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