Metro

One killed, many injured as police officers open fire in Ifo

By Sunday Odita and Jesutomi Akomolafe 22 April 2019 | 4:32 am















At least 45 children killed in Sri Lanka attacks



Residents lock down Lagos-Abeokuta to protest against killings

Easter Sunday's celebrations were rudely disrupted yesterday evening in Ifo area of Ogun State as youths in the area blocked both lanes of the Lagos-Abeokuta Expressway to protest against the death of a young man, Akeem Akinsanya allegedly shot by policemen. Akinsanya was a motorcycle operator and electrician before his death. For several hours, the busy highway and an alternative to the also busy Lagos-Ibadan expressway was on lockdown as youths set bonfires in protest against police brutality and killings of citizens. This forced many motorists and road users to be stranded

The breakdown of order occurred on the road at about 5:00p.m. immediately after police officers opened fire at a bus-stop in the axis, killing the young man and causing injuries to an unknown number of persons at Iyana Coker area of Ifo, a market community on the Lagos-Abeokuta Expressway. Akinsanya, a 25-year-old man, was reportedly killed by the police, according to his uncle, Habib Lawal, who said he witnessed the incident.

Lawal, who said he is widely known in the community as 'Obasanjo', said the plainclothes officers were in the area to arrest a man. "They came to our area in a red Mazda 323 at about 4:30p.m. to arrest a man. They arrested the man, but started shooting into the air as they were about to leave the area," he said, adding that it was the sporadic shooting that led to the death of Akinsanya and left severe injuries on many others.



Lawal further told newsmen that the officers involved were arrested at the spot and were still being held at the police station in Ifo as at 7:45p.m. "We are all here to ensure that the police officers do not run away and escape justice," he said.





Latest

Buhari to visit Lagos on W commission projects

NOW

Polish teachers double dov higher wages

42 mins ago

Trump to make state visit 1

(§ 1 hour ago

Second quake strikes as Pł for survivors

(1) 1 hour ago

Twitter triples profits, glob rises

🕓 1 hour ago

Editor's Pick

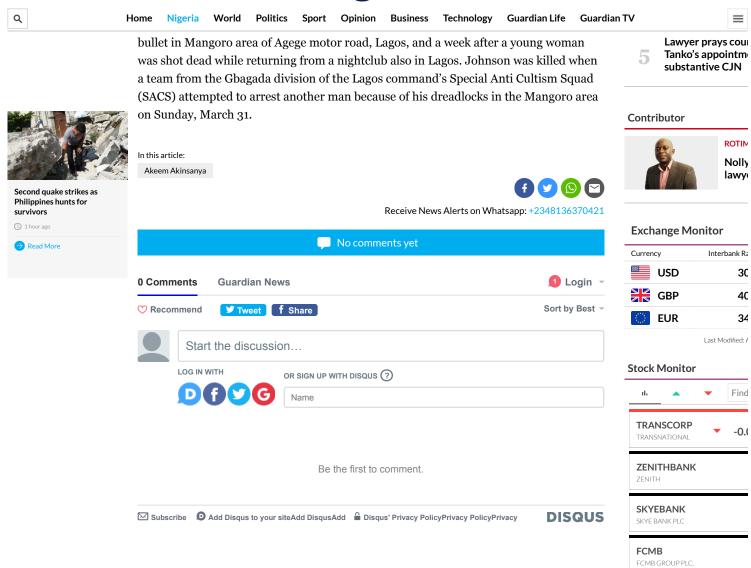
Hope for stroke pa brain cells revived after death

North-East better Buhari, presidenc Mamza

TheGuardian

Nigeria





TOP≉

+0.0

ACCESS

ACCESS BANK PLC

Guardian Life Opinion **Features Guardian Angels** Sunday Magazine Home Editorial Beauty Gender Ibru Ecumenical Centre Commentary Nigeria Contributors Culture BusinessAgro Corporate Social Campus Responsibility Columnists CityFile Events Education National Philanthropy Features **Executive Motoring** News Feature Cartoons Metro Social Impact Living Healthy Diet **Executive Briefs** Food **Business** World Film Focus Living Wellbeing **Property** Love and Relationships Friday Worship Newspeople Appointments Africa Health Music Environment **Business News** Asia Games On The Cover Law Mortgage Finance Business RoundUp Europe Spotlight Media Real Estate Industry US Style Science Urban Development Aviation Travel and Places Youth Speak **Politics** Capital Market