

Policewoman shot during Ekiti by-election dies

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The policewoman, Sergeant Olawoye Bukola, who was shot by a group of thugs during last Saturday's Ekiti East House of Assembly by-election, has passed on.

Bukola, who was on election duty at Ward 7, Unit 7, Iworo Quarters in Omuo-Ekiti, was among those shot by the assailants and she was later transferred to the Federal Teaching Hospital, Ido-Ekiti.

Two police officers, an officer of the Federal Road Safety Commission (FRSC), a corps member and presiding officer, as well as others, were also shot during the mayhem.



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All the shootings took place at the ward where the senator representing Ekiti South Senatorial District, Mrs. Biodun Olujimi voted.

Among those that were killed was a 50-year-old Bola Adebisi and 35-year-old Tunde Ogunleye, while the identity of the third victim was unknown as at press time.



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Police spokesman for Ekiti State Police Command, Mr. Sunday Abutu, who confirmed her death in a statement made available to newsmen in Ado-Ekiti on Monday night, said she died at about 1800hrs on March 22, 2021 at FMC, Ido-Ekiti, after fighting for her life for days.

"The Ekiti State Police Command, with deepest sorrow, announces the death of W/SGT Olawoye Bukola who was shot by a group of thugs that invaded Ward 7, Unit 7 during the recent Ekiti East House of Assembly by-election.

"The Commissioner of Police, Ekiti State Command, Mr. Tunde Mobayo, on behalf of the command, sympathises with her family members and prays God to grant her soul eternal rest.

"The Command wishes to inform the public that the suspects who committed the heinous crime have all been charged to court today," the statement said.



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