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One feared killed as traders, NURTW members clash in Oyo

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MIDDLE-AGED man, has been reportedly killed during a clash between some traders and members of the National Union of Road Transport Workers (NURTW) at Iwo Road Motor Park in Ibadan, Oyo State.

The Guardian gathered that pandemonium started on

Wednesday afternoon following an altercation between Rahmon, the son of the owner of the shopping complex and drivers, who are members of the Park Management System (formerly NURTW) over parking space.

The drivers were said to have parked their vehicles in front of the shopping complex, which was obstructing

visitors and shop owners from parking. The altercation degenerated and Rahmon was allegedly killed.

Although the state's Police Command quickly drafted armed officials to quell the crisis, it was, however, reported that some hoodlums took advantage of the situation to revisit the scene early yesterday to loot shops and with intention to foment more trouble. Security officials, however, nipped the situation in the bud following sporadic shootings that sent commuters panicking.

Makinde, on his visit to the scene of the clash amid heavy presence of armed policemen, soldiers, NDCDC officials and *Amotekun* Corps, said the crisis would be investigated and

appealed to the traders to allow police investigate the case.

The governor asked the traders to select two persons that would represent them and tell the government their grievances.

The CP also told the traders that the police had begun investigation into the crisis and that justice would be done.

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