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# Police condemn killing in Ogun village, launch manhunt for gunmen

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*CP Lanre Ogunlowo*

The Ogun State Police Command has condemned the brutal attack on Osuke Village, Ota, by unidentified gunmen, which led to the death of 24-year-old Saheed Jinadu Shoboyede on February 27, 2025.

The command extended condolences to the family of the deceased and assured the public that all necessary measures are being taken to apprehend the perpetrators of the crime.

The incident reportedly occurred at about 8:00 a.m. when a group of armed hoodlums, led by an individual identified as Elijah, stormed the Muslim Prayer Ground in Osuke Ota on a motorcycle. According to reports, the assailants opened fire indiscriminately, causing panic among residents and endangering lives.

Tragically, Shoboyede was struck by a bullet and was rushed to the State General Hospital, Ota, where he was pronounced dead by a doctor on duty.

The spokesperson for the command, CSP Omolola Odutola, confirmed the incident in a statement yesterday. She disclosed that Olusoji Jinadu, a resident of Iju Mosque Compound, reported the attack to the police at about 2:20 p.m.

Odutola said, “Police operatives promptly visited the crime scene, where three expended cartridges and two spent AK-47 rounds were recovered. His remains have been preserved for an autopsy as part of the ongoing investigation.”

She added that the Commissioner of Police, Dr Lanre Ogunlowo, has ordered a full-scale investigation to track down and apprehend the perpetrators.

“The Ogun State Police Command remains steadfast in its commitment to ensuring the safety and security of all residents. We urge members of the public to remain calm and cooperate with the police by providing any useful information that could aid in the swift apprehension of the culprits,” Odutola stated.

The police further urged anyone with relevant information to contact the nearest station or call the command’s emergency lines.

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