

Policeman killed at roadblock in Bauchi

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SUSPECTED gunmen on Monday killed a mobile policeman at a roadblock along Bauchi-Kano road.

According to a police officer who pleaded anonymity, the deceased was of a sergeant.

Policeman said the deceased was on duty at roadblock just after bridge about 10 kilometers from Bauchi metropolis when two people riding on a motorcycle came and passed the place.

Noticing that the policeman was the only one on duty at that time, the riders returned and shot him twice on his chest and stomach.

They also took his gun and fled into the bush.

When contacted, Police Public Relations officer, ASP Mohammed Barau, did not confirm the incident.

He said "only the Commissioner of Police can speak about the incident because there were certain incidents that we will not speak about until we get clearance. But the commissioner has travelled out of the state".

The body of the slain policeman was taken to the Abubakar Tafawa Balewa Teaching Hospital (ATBUTH), Bauchi.

A medical doctor in the hospital confirmed that the body of the deceased was deposited in the hospital's mortuary.

It would be recalled that four policemen and a community leader were shot dead at different places in Bauchi State in the last two weeks.