

One Killed, Two Injured In Ondo Bank Robbery

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Akure – One person was on Tuesday afternoon shot dead by armed robbers during a bank robbery that took place in Iju community in Akure North Local Government Area of Ondo State.

It was gathered that the robbery lasted for about 38 minutes when the robbers stormed the town, which is a border town into Ekiti State, in a Rambo-style operation.

According to eyewitnesses, the robbers, numbering about six, who arrived in a space bus, attacked the commercial bank in the town and carted away an undisclosed amount of money.

The robbers were said to have moved about three Ghana-Must-Go bags, filled with cash, out of the bank.

A female private security guard working at the bank was killed by the robbers upon arrival in the bank's premises, while two others whose identities were yet to be ascertained were seriously injured.

The robbers were said to have blown open the bank's security door with dynamite after shooting sporadically in different directions to scare residents away.

One police van was demobilised with bullets while houses opposite the banks, where the robbers suspected that police officers attached to the bank had run into, were riddled with bullets.

After the operation, the robbers left the two cars hijacked from the bank premises few kilometres from the bank, following a reported chase from men of the Nigerian army and the police.

The gunmen had come through Ikere-Ekiti in Ekiti State and left via the same route.

Confirming the attack to *Daily Independent*, Undie Adie, the Ondo State Commissioner of Police, disclosed that his men were already on the trail of the robbers.

According to him, his men were currently in the bush searching for the fleeing armed robbers.

"Our men are currently trailing the robbers in the bush. When they were confronted by security operatives, they abandoned the operation as well as their vehicles. We'll give updates as soon as progress is made," Undie stated.