

One Feared Dead In Ekiti, Dangote Trucks Burnt As EndSARS Protest Turns Bloody



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ADO-EKITI – One person reportedly lost his life in Ado-Ekiti during the night protest when a Dangote Truck allegedly overran the barricade erected by the protesters leading to death of one person.

The incident ignited anger and three trucks belonging to Dangote Companies were burnt on Monday night in Ado Ekiti.

Commenting on the unrest, the Police Public Relations Officer, Sunday Abutu, who confirmed that the vehicles were burnt, however, said the command could not

confirm any casualty.

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Another version of the report said the victim said to be one of the three persons attacked by thugs during the night died hours after he was taken to the hospital.

The victim identified as Kolawole Adesina, a bricklayer, was said to be going to work in the morning when he was attacked and his working tools damaged.

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Not done, three thugs coming from his back hit him repeatedly in the head.

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He collapsed and became unconscious and was rushed to the hospital

where it was confirmed that blood had rushed to his brain.

The first happened opposite Similoluwa area while the other one was burnt opposite Unifoam building around mMjere market and another was damaged along Dallimore junction.

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It was reported that one of the lorries overran a barricade of protest along Dallimore/Christ School area which led to the death of two people.

The protest at Fajuyi / Okesa/Governors office area too was still ongoing till night as soldiers / MoPol have been deployed at the area to restore peace.

Meanwhile, the Ekiti Government has described the rumour emanating from the social media that soldiers have taken over the Ado- Ekiti, the state Capital, and chased protesters with guns as untrue and misleading.

The Ekiti State Government has ordered the closure of all private and public schools in the state for the rest of the week.



The Commissioner for Education, Science and Technology, Dr. Kofoworola Olabimpe Olubisi Aderiye, gave the order as a proactive step to safe guard the lives of pupils, students, teachers and other staff members who are finding it difficult to get to their respective schools.

School activities will continue on Monday, October 26, 2020.

Also the management of Ekiti State University Teaching Hospital has raised the alarm on protesters disallowing ambulances from transporting sick persons to and from the hospital.

EKSUTH Chief Medical Director (CMD), Prof. Olabanji, claimed the youth protesters, on Monday prevented many of its medical personnel including sick persons who needed emergency attention from gaining access to the hospital.



He begged the protesters to give those in this category special consideration, as any member of the public, including family of those protesting could also fall victim, and it would be sad if they are denied access to medicals at the appropriate time.

He also directed all staff to make sure they always take along their identity cards to justify movements.

Ekiti Commissioner for Information and Value Orientation, Akin Omole, who said this in a statement on Tuesday, clarified that soldiers did not engage the protesters even as they barricaded most roads in the state capital throughout Monday.

The commissioner said that the soldiers were in Ekiti to protect the people, including the protesters as well as to prevent hoodlums and miscreants from hijacking the peaceful protest by hiding behind the demonstration to commit crime and harass innocent citizens.



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