

Two Killed, Many Injured As Hoodlums Invade Ikorodu

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Two persons were feared killed and many others injured in the Gberigbe area of Ikorodu, Lagos State as hoodlums invaded the community.

Meanwhile, residents have appealed to the police to wade in and rid Gberigbe of hoodlums and suspected cultists, who were chased out from other parts of Ikorodu.

Daily Independent gathered that the clash, which reportedly started early Wednesday, continued on Thursday even as hoodlums exchanged gunshots in broad daylight.

Investigation revealed that trouble started on Wednesday

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morning, when some policemen from the Nigeria Police Force headquarters in Abuja stormed Gberigbe to arrest a suspect, identified simply as Lekan Koboko.

It was gathered that some hoodlums suspected to be working for Koboko, in a bid to prevent their master from being whisked away, confronted the police in a gun duel.

Two people reportedly died in the process, while two others, including Lekan Koboko sustained serious bullet wounds.

A resident of Gberigbe, Alhaji Monsuru said, "the policemen from Abuja were acting on a petition from a popular land agent in Ikorodu, when the incident happened."

He added that, "immediately after the policemen left, some thugs, who are working for the land agents took over the whole of Gberigbe."

"Surprisingly, loyalists of the injured Koboko mobilised and returned to engage the thugs in another round of clash."

He said, "the clash had continued between yesterday (Wednesday) and now (Thursday) afternoon. The police from the Area Command in Ijeda came and restored normalcy."

"But the moment they left, the hoodlums returned and engaged one another in another duel and threw different dangerous weapons at one another."

A popular community

leader in Ikorodu, Alhaji Kamoru Lamina (AKA Sir K), while speaking on the incident said: "I have been receiving calls since yesterday over the incident."

"I just returned from the hospital, when people started calling me to report of a clash between some hoodlums and policemen in Gberigbe."

"There is no way I would have done anything as it involved police officers. My house is not close to the area. The police should rid Gberigbe of cult members who escaped from other parts of Ikorodu."

He also added that "the government and the police should find a lasting solution to the problem in Gberigbe before it gets out of hand."



One of the victims shot during the crisis in Ikorodu area of Lagos on Thursday.

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