

Gunmen Kill 1 In Taraba

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Unknown gunman yesterday shoot and killed a muddle-aged man, Christian Eze at Garba-chede 'T' junction, Mutun Biyu, Gassol local government area of Taraba State yesterday.

A witness who spoke with LEADERSHIP said the incident occurred at about 7:25pm when the gunmen numbering three opened fire on Christian Eze who was sitting in front of his provision store.

"After shooting him, they also shot sporadically in the air before leaving the scene," the source said.

He there was pandemonium in the community as residents scampered for safety after hearing the gunshots.

Some residents of the area who also spoke to LEADERSHIP on condition of anonymity, linked the incessant attacks on innocent people in the community to the arrest of a suspect of the dreaded Boko Haram sect, Kabiru Soko-

to, in the area, last year.

LEADERSHIP gathered that the latest killing brings to eight the number of people, including four policemen and four civilians, killed in similar fashion in the area, between February and October 2013.

Another witness who pleaded anonymity said he saw three men in flowing dresses discussing with Christian Eze in front of his shop but he thought they were his customers.

"They were discussing with him but I thought that they were his customers and after a while, I heard the gunshots which resulted in his death," he narrated.

When contacted on phone, the police divisional officer in the area, Mr Adamu Dankum, confirmed the incident and said investigation had since commenced.

At the time of filling this report no arrest had been made while the deceased's corpse was deposited in the morgue at the First Referral Hospital, Mutun Biyu.