

# Suspected student beheaded in Kwara

A young man, suspected to be a student of the Federal Polytechnic, Offa, was yesterday morning beheaded by unknown persons, causing panic in the ancient town. It added to the growing number of violent crimes in Kwara state of recent.

The identity of the deceased was yet to be ascertained as at the time of filing this report as authorities of the school said they were still checking their records because earlier checks had allegedly revealed that the man was not on the students' list.

Spokesman of the Kwara State police command, Mr. Gideon Markus who confirmed the incident

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Meanwhile, Afe Babalola, in a letter addressed to the Acting Inspector-General of Police, Mr. Mike Okiro, a copy of which was made available to the State governor Engr. Segun Oni, accused Dr. Kayode Fayemi, the AC governorship, candidate in the April 14 election and other notable members of the party of being the arrowheads of the plot to eliminate him, members of his family and also wreak havoc on his properties.

The eminent lawyer, in a release issued and signed by Moses Jolayemi, his Senior Special Assistant (Public communications), said despite restraining himself from playing active politics, his closeness to former President Olusegun Obasanjo made him to have sympathy for the PDP and this disposition did not go down well with some people who have different political leanings. Notable among these people he said are Dr. Fayemi and some leaders of AC.

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Ilorin

said an undisclosed number of people have been arrested over the murder and transferred to the Criminal Investigation Department (CID) for detailed enquiries.

Residents of Ijagbo area were said to have woken up to the sound of gunshots at about 4.00am and when the sound subsided and fearful residents tiptoed outside, the headless body of a young man was found on the ground. Blood was still dripping from the decapitated head as at 7.00am.

No motive had yet been ascribed to this latest crime, which came barely 36 hours after a violent clash in Ilorin, the state capital, left about four persons dead and property worth millions destroyed. The police are still looking for one person said to be notorious and the arrowhead of the Ilorin attack during which resident and traders around Adabata area were disposed of their wares and money.

That clash itself came few days after the immediate past Special Assistant to Governor Bukola Saraki on Poverty Alleviation Programme, Alhaji Bibire Ajape escaped death narrowly when people suspected to be hired assassins stormed his private home.

Ajape was attacked few hours to his being sworn-in as the Chairman, Transition Implementation Committee (TIC) for Ilorin East Local Government Council area of the state.

The attack was said to have been perpetrated by a team of hoodlums numbering about 10. They were said to have invaded his home, situated in the Adewole area of the state capital, at about 3.00 a.m.