

# Gunman kills admission seeker in Ibadan

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An unknown gunman yesterday shot and killed a 21-year-old man, Rilwan Asimiyu, in Ibadan, the Oyo State capital.

The incident occurred at Orisasola Compound, Oke Are, Beere.

It was gathered that the gunman forced his way into the house at 3am and locked the door to the room of the deceased's grand father, Pa Muraina Lawal (98).

It was learnt that the intruder broke the door to the room where the deceased and three others were sleeping, flashed a torch at the occupants and shot Rilwan in the chest.

The other occupants of the room were Olalekan Ajibola (19), Olalekan Sadiq (17) and Lateef Waliu (19).

Ajibola said: "We were sleeping when someone forced his way into the room. Roused from sleep, I saw someone holding a torch and heard the sound of a gunshot. I could not identify the shooter because the room was dark.

"The man demanded for money and our handsets. We usually keep our handsets on a small table in the room. I told him we did not have money and Sadiq gave him one of the phones. Unfortunately, the

phone belonged to Rilwan.

“We later discovered that the man escaped through the back door. I then removed the padlock on the door to Pa Lawal’s room so that he could come out. We wanted to take Rilwan to the hospital, but he was already dead. “Rilwan was an easy-going person. He was preparing to write JAMB and gain admission into the university.”

Pa Lawal said: “When I heard the sound of the gunshot, I thought something fell from the roof. I tried to go out and find out what happened, but I had been locked in. Instead of killing him, they should have come for my handset. Why would anyone kill Rilwan, who is very gentle and easygoing. “Since my wife died, Rilwan and other grandchildren have been living with me to comfort me.”

The police have taken away Rilwan’s remains for autopsy.

Police spokesman Femi Okanlawon said investigation of the incident has begun.

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