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Mob lynches suspected robber

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•Three others injured

Four suspected armed robbers were yesterday beaten to a pulp at Jibowu, Lagos Mainland, for allegedly snatching the handbag of Joy Oroh.

They are Ahmed Fatai, Rafiu Mogaji, Godwin Uzong and Bayo Kadiri, who was feared dead at the time *The Nation* got to the scene.

The incident, which occurred at about 3:20pm, caused a gridlock around Jibowu Bus stop on Ikorodu road.

It was gathered that the suspects snatched the woman's brown handbag after she withdrew some money from Diamond Bank.



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Fatai was shot on the leg and arrested by a policeman attached to the Federal Special Anti-Robbery Squad (SARS), who was on motorcycle patrol.

The policeman was said to have called for backup from the Onipanu Police Station and Yaba.

A motorcyclist, who saw the suspects dispossessing the woman of her handbag and chased them towards the West African Examinations Council (WEAC) bus stop in Yaba, was shot on the leg.

The sight of the bleeding motorcyclist was said to have provoked bystanders who chased and caught three of the suspects beside First Bank on Morocco Road, Yaba.

The three were saved from being burnt on the expressway by the police.

The crowd booed as the policemen took the suspects to the station in their patrol van.

At the time of filing this story, the suspects were being profiled at the division for onward transfer to the Special Anti-Robbery Squad (SARS), Ikeja.

Three of the suspects could barely talk; the fourth, Kadiri, was not breathing.

The Nation observed that all the suspects were in a pool of blood; Fatai pleaded for water.

"We cannot give him water because if we do he will die. Once he drinks water here, that will be all. He

was the only one that was shot on the leg. The others were beaten by civilians.



“Look at this one, he is no longer breathing. I really doubt if any of them can survive. But we need to profile them first before handing them over. From what I have heard, they came all the way from Ijora to rob in this area,” said a police source.

Police spokesperson, Dolapo Badmus, a Superintendent (SP), said the suspects attack the woman on a motorcycle.

She said she was not aware if any of the suspects died.

“They robbed one Joy Oroh who went to Diamond Bank in Jibowu to do a transaction of N200, 000. She was waylaid by the robbers.

“One of them at large used the motorbike to rob her and fled, but the others ran out of luck.

“One of them was instantly arrested by a policeman who was passing the area, while the others were nabbed at Morocco Road by a combined team of policemen. I am not aware if any of them is dead. I do not have that information,” she said.

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