

Police nab notorious gang leader

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•Oloriesho

Thug, Wasiu Akinwande (aka Oloriesho) has been arrested by the police over the death of a 29-year-old trader Anene Utazi and a nine-year-old Aminat Lateef.

He was nabbed last Tuesday by operatives from D9, State Criminal Investigation and Intelligence Department (SCIID) at Panti, Yaba, Lagos Mainland following a gun battle at his Mosalashi Street, Mushin hideout.

Sources said *Oloriesho* has been on the police wanted list for long, following gang-related killings in Mushin since 2009.

He was allegedly linked with almost all gang-related killings in Mushin, Fadeyi, Somolu, Bariga and Ilupeju.

A source said *Oloriesho* and his gang were recruited in 2009 by a faction of the National Union of Road Transport Workers (NURTW).

Five members of his gang were arrested by SCIID operatives in January and an AK47 snatched from a slain policeman at Daleko on Isolo Road, Lagos, recovered from them.

The source said: “Since his arrest, there has been no news of violent clashes or killings within Mushin; to make sure they achieve lasting peace in the area, the operatives went all out for *Oloriesho* because he is the leader of the gang that has been terrorising Mushin and its environs.

Few months after they killed nine-year-old Aminat, they also killed, one Akeem Adeleye (a.k.a Cherokee) who was attacked close to his house in Idi-Oro.

“One year after, while his friends were observing his remembrance, *Oloriesho* and his boys allegedly stormed the place and opened fire into the crowd; they had a shootout with some operatives who were around that area and killed one Niyi Ehindero, who is said to be a nephew to the former Inspector-General of Police (IGP). He had once deceived the public with his obituary posters in the past.”