

# Gunmen kill police officer, injure NSCDC operative in Ebonyi

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Unidentified gunmen on Friday shot and killed a policeman and wounded an operative of the Nigerian Security and Civil Defense Corps (NSCDC) in Ebonyi State.

The Nation learnt that the gunmen, who were said to be returning from a robbery operation along Abakaliki-Enugu expressway, started shooting indiscriminately on citing the police team.

The Commandant of the NSCDC, Ebonyi State Command, Jibril Shyabu, said the injured operative of the corps is already receiving treatment at the Federal Teaching Hospital Abakaliki, (FETHA).

He said the incident has brought about the need for effective synergy among security agencies in the state, and assured members of the public of adequate protection by the security agencies in the state.

A source, who spoke under the condition of anonymity, said that the hoodlums operated on motorcycles.

The situation affected vehicular movements across the capital city, as heavily armed police officers cordoned the off roads, especially the Abakaliki end of the federal highway.

The State Commissioner of Police, Mrs Peace Ibekwe-Abdallah, confirmed the incident, noting that the investigation into the matter has commenced.

She said: "The command is preparing a release on the matter and would make it available soon."