



Mob attacks bank, beats policeman over killing of Okada rider

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A policeman whose identity could not be identified was on Friday beaten to pulp by a mob over the killing of a commercial bike rider, Sunday Okukpon.

Okukpon was said to have bled to death before he could get to the hospital.

Sources said the policeman was among a team escorting a bullion van to an old generation bank in Uromi, Esan North East local government.

Witnesses said an altercation between the policemen and the victim led to the beating of Okukpon, who was eventually stabbed by one of the policemen.

Peeved by the action, residents in the area stormed the bank and managed to seize one policeman who was beaten to pulp.

The angry residents burnt four vehicles within the premises of the bank and destroyed the Automated Teller Machine (ATM) located within the bank.

Staffers of the bank were trapped inside the bank for several hours as the mob attempted to set the bank ablaze.

It took the intervention of some soldiers to rescue the bank workers.

Police sources said the affected policeman is receiving treatment at the University of Benin Teaching Hospital in Benin City after he was rejected at the Irrua Specialist Hospital where he was first rushed to.

Edo State police spokesman DSP Abiodun Osifo said he was at a function when our reporter contacted him.

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