

Two robbery suspects lynched in Bayelsa

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Two suspected armed robbers have been killed by a mob in the Yenizuegene suburb of Yenagoa, the Bayelsa State capital.

It was gathered that the ‘robbers’, who reportedly specialised in robbing commercial tricycle or keke commuters were seized and killed at Erepa Junction.

A source, who witnessed the incident, said the victims on the tricycle raised the alarm while they were being robbed by the assailants.

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“The keke was heading for Erepa Junction close to Otiotio when it came under attack by the robbers. The occupants of the keke raised the alarm that attracted passersby and other residents. The mob killed two of the robbers while two others escaped,” he said.

“It was a mob action involving everybody around the area. We are disturbed that those bad boys reorganised themselves in strategic places stopping keke and demanding to know their identities. We are calling on the police to take deliberate steps to stop reprisals,” the source said.

Police spokesman Butswat Asinim, who confirmed the development, said a patrol van had been sent to the area.