One killed as robbers attack bank in Ondo

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One person has been feared dead during the attack on an old generation bank in Ode Irele town, headquarters of Irele Local Government Area of Ondo.

Witnesses said the robbers stormed the bank at about 4.10pm by using explosives to blast open the security doors.

It was not clear whether the robbers carted away any amount of money from the bank but the witnesses said huge sums of money were taken by the robbers.

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The operation was said to have lasted 45 minutes.

It was gathered that the victim was hit by a stray bullet

According to the source: "After finishing that operation inside the bank, the robbers started shooting sporadically to scare people away and to ease their escape. As they were shooting, strayed bullets hit some people who were trying to run for safety."

Ondo Police spokesman, ASP Tee-Leo Ikoro, confirmed the incident but said he was yet to be fully briefed.

"I am hearing it but the DPO (Divisional Police Officer) in the town is yet to give me the details."