

Reps call on IGP to investigate killings in Oshodi/Isolo



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The House of Representatives (Reps) has called on the Inspector General of Police (IGP) to launch a thorough investigation into the alleged police brutality and extrajudicial killings in Oshodi-Isolo that led to the death of about six persons on Tuesday, October 3.

Adopting a motion of urgent public importance, the House condemned in the strongest terms the violence, killings, further ransacking, restriction of movement, and attacks by the Police on the people of Oshodi Isolo.

The House asked relevant security agencies to provide adequate security measures and personnel to safeguard while asking the [National Emergency Management Agency \(NEMA\)](#) and other relevant agencies to provide relief and support to the victims of the violence.

Sponsor of the motion, Jesse Okey-Joe Onuakalusi told the House that the police and officials of LASTMA unleashed mayhem on residents of Ago Road and its axis on Tuesday, October 3.

He said the people of Oshodi Isolo II Federal Constituency have been living in constant fear and anguish for too long, adding that the recent spate of violence and attacks by the Police and LASMA officers have created a state of insecurity that threatens not only their lives but also their livelihoods.

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He said: “Our communities have become battlegrounds, and our children who should be safe on their way to schools have become victims of this ongoing turmoil”.

According to him, these officers who unleashed mayhem on the people were chasing a car and dragging the steering with a moving car, and in the process, the vehicle lost control and wrecked the damage.

He said further that available reports paint a harrowing picture of a community under siege, with Police brutality and extrajudicial killings being a recurring nightmare, saying, “it is our duty as representatives of the people to protect their lives, rights, and well-being, and I stand before you today to seek your support in this endeavour.”