

2 killed in Ibadan in hoodlums fracas

BY TUNDE OGUNESAN

THERE was pandemonium at the popular Oje Market, Ibadan, on Sunday as two people lost their lives when a police

officer shot them in an alleged confrontation with hoodlums.

Nigerian Tribune learnt that trouble began when some commercial *okada* riders, resisted at-

tempted by some hoodlums to extort money from them in the neighbourhood, leading to the death of one Ojo Obisesan, who died on the spot.

Obisesan, *Nigerian Tribune* learnt, was involved with ticket distribution to

some *okada* riders, but trouble ensued when some of the *okada* riders started an argument with him. It was gathered that the Divisional Police Officer, Agugu Division, Assistant Superintendent of Police (ASP)

Timothy Adedeji, who was alleged to have come with a Toyota car, was on patrol in the area, went to the scene to surpress the fight. However, his attempt to disperse the crowd with his rifle led to the death of Obisesan, around Oje market.

The second person, *Nigerian Tribune* gathered, met his untimely death when the police mobilised to retrieve Adedeji's rifle, alleged to have been forcefully snatched from him by the mob in protest of Obisesan's death. In the process, an unnamed person in the crowd who was alleged to have been with the rifle carelessly shot in an attempt to attack the police team.

Reacting, the Police Public Relations Officer, Deputy Superintendent of Police (DSP) Olabisi Okuwobi-Ilobanafor, said, "the two policemen were rescued from the mob's attack. The mob later regrouped and went to Agugu Police Division, apparently to attack the station. The situation was brought under control through reinforcement."

Babatope, Adeniran pick nomination forms for PDP national secretary

BY KUNLE ODEREMI

ASPIRANTS for the post of the National Secretary of the Peoples Democratic Party (PDP) appear not deterred by legal issues raised by some stakeholders concerning the planned mini-national convention of the party.

Nigerian Tribune learnt that a contender for the post during PDP's national convention in 2012 and former Minister of Education, Professor Tunde Adeniran, has obtained fresh nomination forms.

A former Minister of Transport and Aviation, Chief Ebenezer Babatope, who confirmed to our correspondent on the phone that he had earlier obtained his own form, said his campaign train had already hit the ground running.

The two are among the four names initially touted in many circles as strong contestants for the post, which was occupied by a former governor of Osun State, Prince Olagunoye Oyinlola, before he was removed.



From left, out-going chairman, National Institute of Management of Nigeria (NIMN), Ibadan chapter, Mr Henry Adegbuyi; Mr Taiwo Alade Owolabi; guest speaker, Dr Rotimi Oladele and National President, NIMN, Mr Ganiyu Koledoye, during the inauguration ceremony of new executive of NIMN at Premier Hotel, Ibadan, on Saturday. Photo: Tommy Adegbite.

Ekiti youths adopt Jonathan for 2015