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A staff of Edo State Library Board, Mr. Ebowe Felix has been murdered by unknown gunmen in Benin City. Nation learnt that the gunmen stormed his private residence at 1, Inne lane, off Ehizomwangie Street, Off Eghosa Street, Erhunmwunse Road, Benin City, about midnight on Wednesday.

It was gathered that the gunmen, on breaking into his apartment through the window, shot him on his head, abandoned him in the pool of his own blood and left.

A tenant in the house, Mr. Osaro Abraham was wounded by the gunmen who also broke into his room, apparently to forestall possible challenge during execution of their dastardly mission.

Narrating the tragedy, daughter of the deceased, Loveth Ebowe disclosed that when the gunmen started breaking the slide glass and burglary proof in the window of the sitting room, she woke up thinking the men were armed robbers.

Loveth revealed that as her father ran to the sitting room to ascertain who the invaders were, the gunmen jumped inside the house and in a commando-like fashion shot him at close range.

She stated that her father's killers did not take anything away from the house as she heard them cautioning themselves not to take anything.

Loverth, however appealed to the state government, the police and other security agencies to arrest and prosecute a man in their neighbourhood who had earlier threatened to kill her father over a dispute between his family and her father.

Nation investigations revealed that the said dispute which the elders in the street tried to resolve unsuccessfully was later taken to court.

It was also learnt that the first hearing came up in Magistrate Court 1, Sapele Road, Benin City last Monday as the case was adjourned to today, Friday August 23, 2013.

Contacted, his colleagues at the state library complex, Sapele Road, Benin City were in sorrowful mood as they expressed shock over the sad incident.

Pointing to the deceased chair and table in the library, they mourned that the library has remained quiet without the deceased who they described as a man of the people.

Spokesman, Edo State Police Command, DSP Moses Eguavoen could not be reached for comment but police from Evbotubu division allegedly took the corpse to a mortuary in Benin City.

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