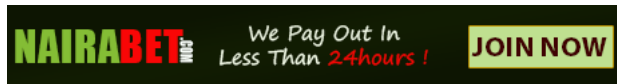


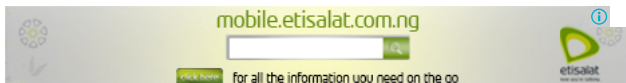
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Police kill one suspected robber, recover 2 cars in Rivers (/police-kill-one-suspected-robber-recover-2-cars-in-rivers)

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One suspected robber was killed in a heavy shootout with the police within the Port Harcourt metropolis in Rivers State, on Monday. This was as two cars were recovered from the hoodlums in the shooting incident which occurred at Psychiatric Road, close to the Rivers State College of Arts and Science, Rumuola.

Rivers State Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO), Ahmad Mohammad, in a statement issued on the incident, said the shooting took place following a tip off that a Toyota Venza snatched three days ago, was sighted within the area.

"As a result of this our men quickly mobilised, trailed and engaged the vehicle's occupants.

"In the interim, one of the hoodlums was fatally injured while an object suspected to be dynamite, one Toyota Venza, light green colour No. Rivers NH 262 ST and one Lexus 300 Jeep pencil colour, No. Rivers KRK 957BX, abandoned by the hoodlums, were recovered", he said.

He said police onslaught was ongoing "with a view to arresting the other fleeing hoodlums."

However, the police image-maker was silent on the armed robbery attack on a new generation bank on Rumuola Road beside the College of Arts and Science.

Incidentally, the bank was located directly opposite the Psychiatric Road, where Police was engaged in the shootout with the hoodlums.

Eyewitnesses said the attack lasted more than 30 minutes as many customers and the bank lost an undisclosed amount of amount of money, the third time the bank would be robbed this year.

In a related development, a bookshop on the ground floor of a building also housing the Correspondents' Chapel of the Nigeria Union of Journalists (NUJ), along Ikwerre Road, was also robbed.

The armed robbers, who were four in number, hit the daughter of the shop-owner with the butt of the gun as well as one of the customers, who came to buy stationeries.

The Nigerian Tribune gathered that an undisclosed amount of money was carted away by the robbers.

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