

## Four masked men kill PDP chieftain in Delta

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TRAGEDY struck Tuesday in Warri, Delta State as four masked men suspected to be assassins mowed down one Mr Solomon Ukueberuwa, throwing the city into palpable fear.

Mr Ukueberuwa was identified as a chieftain of the People's Democratic Party

(PDP) and former chairman of Ekurede-Itsekiri/Ugbori Ward in Warri South Local Government Area of the state.

Although there were conflicting reports as to the exact time he was reportedly shot dead, a source said it was at about 11:00a.m., while others said it was at about 12:45p.m.

The deceased, said to be a revenue collector with the Warri South Local Government Area, was allegedly shot dead by four masked men at Cemetery Road by Odion Roundabout in Warri.

Ukueberuwa, who was reportedly shot once in his right hand and twice in the head, was said to be popular with the nickname Ogene.

After confirming him dead, the assailants were said to have picked the shells of the pellets used from the scene, probably in an attempt to leave no trace behind.

A local online media had reported that the masked men went after the deceased with an ash **Toyota Corolla** at the spot he was

According to the source,

against the pastor.

plying his trade.

The Warri South LGA chairman, Dr Michael Tidi, who confirmed the incident, condemned the killing, adding, "It is a sad story. His death is shocking to me. He was such an efficient guy."

Meanwhile, the Delta State Commissioner of Police, Mr. Adeyinka Adeleke, who confirmed the incident

to journalists, said the deceased had reportedly received a call from a stranger before he was hacked down, adding that the assailants made away with the mobile handset of the deceased.

As of the time of filing report, the corpse of the victim had been deposited at a morgue in Warri.

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