Corps member killed by gunmen in Adamawa

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A corps member, Samaila Awudu (28), was on Saturday killed at the Corpers' Lodge at Yolde, in Yola South Local Government Area of Adamawa State.

The corps member, from Taraba State, was killed when hoodlums, numbering five, attacked the corpers' residence.

Nigerian Tribune learnt that the victim was rushed to the Federal Medical Center (FMC), Yola, for treatment in the company of the Commissioner of Police in the state, Sikiru Akande, where he gave up the ghost.

Confirming the incident, the state director of the National Youth Service Corps (NYSC), Mr Jingi Dennis, said investigation was already ongoing to unrayel the killers.

Dennis described the death of Awudu as "a huge loss, not only to Taraba State, but the whole nation."

Speaking on the development, the state Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO), SP Sulaiman Ngoruje, said the command had already begun investigation into the incident.

Ngoruje said: "The Adamawa State police command, under the leadership of CP Sikiru Akande, is already carrying out investigation to find out those behind this killing.

"We are assuring members of the public that this is an eye-opener and the command has already met with NYSC officials so that the lives of corps members in Adamawa State can be secured.

"When the incident happened, the commissioner of police drove down to the scene and he was the first person to take the corps member to the hospital."

While speaking with the Nigerian Tribune, a corps member who did not give his name said when the hood-lums, who were about five, came, they locked the doors to the rooms of the other corps members and went to Samaila's room.

He said: "They [hoodlums] used an axe in attacking him."

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