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Two persons were feared dead in <u>Ibadan</u> yesterday while <u>22 others</u> sustained injuries as pandemonium broke out at the Araromi/Gate motor dealers market when some suspected h<u>oodlums</u> believed to be supporters of the ruling <u>PDP</u> allegedly swooped on the market.

The invaders reportedly matcheted the wooden rostrum erected for the earmarked campaign of the governorship candidate of the Accord Party, Senator Rashidi Ladoja, leading to a counter attack from the supporters of the rival AP. In the ensuing commotion, the traders ran for safety.

At 3.00 p.m, trading activities had been totally halted with the ever-busy market deserted. People at the market said the two killed in the incident were identified as Wasiu Labiran and Ismail Akingbola, both apprentices at the market.

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Senator Ladoja put the campaign rally on hold just as the Accord Party supporters said some of their colleagues were injured by the intruders.

The Director of Publicity and Communication for the Akala Arapaje campaign organization, Dr Morohunkola Thomas, however said the violence had nothing to do with members of the PDP in the state. He maintained that the allegation that PDP sent thugs to foment trouble inside the market was unfounded and asked security agencies to investigate it.

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