

Armed men raid 10 streets, kill policeman

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HEAVILY armed men numbering about 40 invaded U-turn in Abule Egba, a suburb of Lagos, in the early hours of Wednesday and raided about 10 streets.

The robbery suspects who were allegedly raiding from house to house killed a police constable attached to Meiran Police Division during the operation.

They reportedly stabbed the policeman after shooting him in the presence of his pregnant wife.

They also left many of the residents with various degrees of injuries after allegedly hitting them with iron rods.

Our correspondent learnt

that the men arrived the area at about 3.30am for the operation that lasted over two hours.

The affected streets include Lawal, Niran Oyedele, Mystic, Taiwo, Yinka Dauda, and Sumonu Streets among others.

Eyewitnesses told our correspondent that mobile telephones and money were the targets of the armed men.

The sources said the suspects were equipped with housebreaking equipment that aided them in forcing their ways into their target houses.

Among the victims of the operation was a crime reporter of a Lagos-based newspaper who resides on Agbe Road, Abule-Egba.

The journalist (name withheld) told our correspondent that the men robbed him of personal belongings, including money and mobile phone.

The Police Public Relations Officer, Lagos State Command, Mr. Olubode Ojajuni, confirmed that a case of robbery was reported in the area.

Ojajuni, a deputy superintendent of police, however, told our correspondent he was still making contact with Meiran police station where the case was documented.

He promised to get back to our correspondent once he gets a clearer picture of the incident.