

Herdsmen kill pregnant woman in Ekiti community

Femi Makinde, Ado-Ekiti

RESIDENTS of Ago-Aduloju community in Ado-Ekiti Local Government Area and other communities in Gbonyin Local Government Area of Ekiti State are now living in fear following the incessant robbery attacks on them by hoodlums suspected to be Fulani herdsmen.

A pregnant woman was reportedly killed by the suspected herdsmen who had ambushed motorists on Ado-Ijan Road on Sunday.

Our correspondent learnt that the robbers who had been dispossessing travellers of their belongings had killed one man before the motorcycle carrying the pregnant woman got to the scene.

A resident of the town told our correspondent that the motorcyclist, who was carrying the woman got to the scene and discovered that robbers were already attacking some victims, made a detour and fled back to where he was coming from.

One of the robbers, who was said to have been enraged by the audacity of the motorcyclist, was said to have

shot the woman.

Our correspondent learnt that the woman fell from the motorcycle and started bleeding until she died.

Residents lamented the deplorable state of the Ado-Ijan Road, saying the criminals were having a field day because of the condition of the road.

The Police Public Relations Officer in Ekiti State, Mr. Mohammed Jimoh, who confirmed the robbery incident to our correspondent on the telephone said the command

had started 24-hour patrol on the road to a stop the menace.

The PPRO said, "We are aware of the situation and we have commenced 24-hour patrol on that road. We are quite aware that they are using the deplorable state of the road to commit crime.

"I want to assure the people of the state that we are on top of the situation and we will do everything to ensure that the perpetrators are apprehended and brought to justice."

Ogun: One killed, others injured as okada riders clash

Francis Falola, Abeokuta

ONE person has lost his life and several others injured in a clash between two unions of commercial motorcyclists in Sagamu, headquarters of Sagamu Local Government Area of Ogun State.

Investigations by our correspondent revealed that trouble broke out as a faction of Amalgamated Commercial Motorcycles Riders and Operators of Nigeria under the aegis of Commercial Motorcycles Operators

Association attempted to hijack the leadership of the parent body.

The COMOA group was said to have launched an attack on the members of ACOMORAN resulting in the death of one Saula Ogunjohun with several others injured.

The Police Public Relations Officer for Ogun State Command, Mr. Muyiwa Adejobi, while speaking in an interview with our correspondent in Abeokuta on Wednesday, confirmed the clash between the two

hall.

He stated that the commission already had correspondents from the Nigerian Television Authority and Akwa Ibom State Broadcasting Corporation and did not need other media houses to cover the sitting.

When the argument ensued, our correspondent called the Assistant Editor, News, *The PUNCH* on the telephone and asked Afangide to speak with him.

But Afangide refused on the grounds that the Assistant Editor was subordinate to him as a director.

the people.

Olayinka said the NPHCDA would ensure health care delivery to the average member of the society. He noted that ordinary folks must be able to access quality health care services.

The Chairman, Oriade Local Government Council, Osun State, Mr. Taiwo Fatiregun, commended the NPHCDA for its programmes, promising that the council was prepared to collaborate with the agency.

going to tolerate acts of hooliganism," he stated.

Adejobi insisted that normal procedure for change of leadership must be followed and vowed that the police in the state would not condone forceful hijack of any union leadership by hoodlums.

Speaking on the alarm raised by the state governor, Senator Ibikunle Amosun, of the plot to destabilise the state, he said that Daura had commenced investigations into the matter.