

Nursing mother dies in Mushin fracas

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A 29-year-old mother, identified simply as Fatima, died in Mushin, Lagos State, during a fracas.

It was gathered that the fight that initially broke out on Sunday left about five people injured.

The victims are currently receiving treatment at the Lagos State University Teaching Hospital.

A source told *SATURDAY PUNCH* that the problem was more of a battle of supremacy between two gang leaders in the area, Afeez Ilesanmi a.k.a. Ogiri and one Ola over toll collection at Alamutu Market in Mushin.

He said, "The fight first started on Sunday. Both gangs have been terrorising the whole community for some time. The fight was

over who would collect tolls at Alamutu.

It was learnt that during the attack on Ola, one of his boys, Small, was badly cut. This allegedly angered Ola, who retaliated.

"It was during the retaliation that Fatima died. Five others were injured but they were rushed to LUTH. On Friday morning, officers from the Special Anti-Robbery Squad came to arrest them. They were able to arrest Ilesanmi and some of his men but Ola and his people ran away," the source said.

Several telephone calls and text messages to the Commissioner, Lagos State Police Command, Mr. Yakubu Alkali, and the command's spokesman, Mr. Samuel Jinadu, were not responded to on Friday night.