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Officials of the National Emergency Management Agency and members of the Journalists Against Disaster group were on Thursday attacked by robbers on the Okpella-Auchi Road in Edo.

The incident occurred at about 8.30am when the officials and journalists were travelling on a solidarity visit and rescue mission to victims of flooding in Edo.

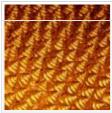
The *News Agency of Nigeria* reports that policemen attached to the bus, Jackson Gyobe, Ayuba Danbauchi and men of the local vigilance group, rescued the team and other commuters from the thieves.

The attack led to the suspension of the journey. Other senior officials of the agency had been in Auchi waiting for the others to join them.

During the attack, a driver with Big Joe Transport Company was killed by the robbers who had laid an ambush at a bridge before the Okpella Junction.

The spot was less than five kilometres away from a military checkpoint.

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