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Imo State Governor, Rochas Okorocha

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Two people were feared killed while about 20 others were seriously injured on Thursday when some youths allegedly from Obosi invaded the Central Motor Park, along the Onitsha – Owerri Expressway and attacked people .

The youth, numbering about 100, first descended on the agents of Lutas Collections, who manage the park.

The manager of the park, Mr. Ifeanyi Okafor, narrowly escaped death in the hands of the youth, who arrived with dane guns, machetes and axes and forcibly collected money from motorists.

Some of the wounded vi have been rushed to th University Teaching Ho

Teaching Hospital and Anambra State University Teaching Hospital, Awka.

Okafor said he was in the park directing his workers when he noticed some youths people with dangerous weapons .

He urged the Anambra State Government to come to their aid as the menace of hoodl unbearable.

He said the arrival of policemen who also helped to take some of the victims to the hospitals prevented the situation from worsening.

He said it was only in Anambra State that groups would illegally collect money due government, an act, he said must stop if the state must move ahead.

He warned that people should not take the peaceful nature of Governor Peter Obi for cowardice.

He called on the security agencies in the state to pay attention to government facilities in the state and protect the people working in such places to avoid blood shed.

Former Special Adviser to Governor Peter Obi on Markets and Parks, Chief Sylva Nwobu-Alor, condemned the youths for always invading the park.

The Divisional Police Officer, Mr. Emeka Ugwu, said he had deployed his men to take control of the situation at the park.

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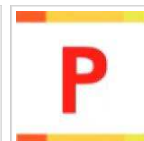
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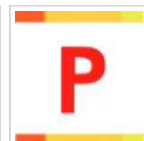
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