

Rampaging youths sack three Ogun communities Over Shooting of Landlord by Night Guard

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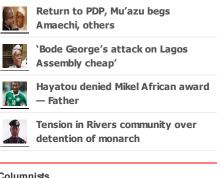


Ogun State Commissioner of Police, Ikemefuna Okoye

Tension gripped three communities of Onihale, Ilepa and Aiyede in Ifo Local Government Area, Ogun State Wednesday as scores of rampaging youths sacked residents over the alleged killing of a landlord by a night guard.

The night guards were said to be pursuing some suspected armed robbers in the early hours of Wednesday when the incident occurred.

PUNCH Metro learnt that a gang of suspected armed robbers had invaded the Aiyede/Bosun community in the Ifo area in



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the early hours of Tuesday.

They were however said to have been repelled by the night guards who were patrolling the area.

In their efforts to scare away the suspected robbers, the night guards were said to have mobilised landlords and other residents who trooped out to confront the bandits.

Sources said that as the suspected robbers fled the area, one of the landlords pursuing them, 26-year-old Ahmed Folorunsho, was allegedly mistakenly shot by one of the night guards.

Folorunsho's death immediately sparked off a violent reaction from his kinsmen and youths of the Onihale community.

They were said to have mobilised their kinsmen from Onihale and launched an attack on other residents and landlords in Ayede/Bosun, Ilepa and Onihale communities to protest the killing.

The violence forced residents of the affected three communities to flee from their homes.

The state Police Public Relations Officer, Muyiwa Adejobi confirmed the incident.

Adejobi, a Deputy Superintendent of Police, however, said the police had restored normalcy in the area.

The police spokesman explained that the Ifo Divisional Police Officer, Isaac Obawusi, personally led a team of policemen to the area, adding that the night guard who allegedly fired the shot that killed Folorunsho had been arrested.

The PPRO stated that the incident was a murder case, adding that the state Commissioner of Police, Ikemefuna Okoye had ordered a thorough investigation into the matter.

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