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Ibadan killing

A policeman was shot dead while another was seriously injured in Oke Ado area of Ibadan, Oyo State capital, by suspected thugs during a political rally on Friday.

An eyewitness account said the assailants broke into the midst of the supporters of the All Progressives Congress, who were waiting for Governor Abiola Ajimobi's arrival from Ido Local Government, where he had gone on a working visit.

Public Relations Officer of the Oyo State Police Command, Olabisi Ilobanefor, who confirmed the incident, said some arrests had been made.

"Unknown gunmen attacked policemen in Ibadan this afternoon, killing one and injuring the other. We have made 18 arrests in connection with the attack and they will be charged to court on Monday. It is too early to reveal the names of the policemen involved and the people arrested," she said.

Oyo State APC Public Relations Officer, Olawale Sadare, said the attack was a sad development ahead of 2015 elections, adding that Ajimobi was still in Ido when the incident occurred.

"Governor Ajimobi was in Ido when the attackers struck. We were told that they wore T-shirts having Ajimobi's photos or the APC logo. They attacked innocent people and policemen. We call on the police to investigate the matter thoroughly and bring the attackers to book. APC is a peace-loving party that will not tolerate thuggery or any form of violence," he said.

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