Gunmen rape, kill girl in Delta

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File: Gunmen

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Suspected armed robbers on Monday shot dead a girl after raping her in Bomadi, headquarters of the Bomadi Local Government Area of Delta State.

Sources said the incident took place around the Bomadi gas station.

The father of the victim, who identified himself as Elder Wuduowei, in an emotion-laden tone, broke the news of the incident to journalists in Warri.

He said, "Armed robbers attacked my house when I was not around and my daughter tried to reach me to alert me.

"I was in hospital, because my wife was in labour and before I could reach the head of the vigilantes, who accompanied me to the house, it was already late.

"We met my daughter's body cold and saw signs of her being violated by the hoodlums."

Confirming the incident, the Secretary of the vigilantes in the local government area, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said, "The father of the victim, Elder Wuduowei, left the girl alone in the house, which made the robbers to attack her with ease."

According to him, the victim alerted her father that some armed men were trying to force themselves into the house, but Wuduowei could not reach the police before the hoodlums had their way.

The Police Public Relation Officer in the state, SP Onome Onovwakpoyeya, confirmed the incident.

"The report is that the girl was raped and shot dead. She was shot by gunmen, who invaded the family's house, while her father was in hospital with the mother who was about to be delivered of a baby or so. That's the report," the PPRO stated.