

Hoodlums kill labourer in Delta, rob residents

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Gunmen have killed a young man identified simply as David on the Grace Land Estate, Okpanam, Asaba, Delta State.

PUNCH Metro gathered that the incident occurred around 7pm on Tuesday at the Okpanam junction by the Benin-Asaba Expressway.

A source said the hoodlums invaded the estate and were robbing when the residents, who raised the alarm that attracted the Okpanam vigilantes and the police to the scene.

“The incident happened on Tuesday. The hoodlums were shooting and robbing the residents, who raised the alarm and called the Okpanam vigilantes and the police, who returned the fire; so, the hoodlums ran into a compound, where a labourer stayed, but unfortunately, they shot him,” the source stated.

The elder brother of the deceased, identified simply as Israel, stated that the police had deposited the body of the deceased in the Federal Medical Centre mortuary.

When contacted, the police spokesperson in the state, DSP Onome Onovwakpoyeya, confirmed the incident on Thursday, saying the hoodlums were on an assassination mission.

“The gunmen came on an assassination mission, but the person they came for smartly escaped; so, it is like they went on the rampage and that was when they killed the young man,” Onovwakpoyeya stated.

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