

# One dies in police, robbers gun duel in Ogun

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A suspected armed robber was killed on Friday during a gun duel between men of the Ogun State Police Command and a gang of armed robbers.

The bloody clash occurred in the early hours of Friday on Sagamu/Benin Expressway in Ijebu-Ife, in the Ijebu-East Local Government Area of the state.

The Police Public Relations Officer in the state, Abimbola Oyeyemi disclosed this in a statement on Friday.

Oyeyemi said the robber was shot dead following a distress call received by the police in Ijebu-Ife around 2:45am.

He added that the police were alerted that a gang of armed robbers in military camouflage blocked the expressway and were dispossessing motorists of their valuables.

He said, “Upon the information, the DPO Ijebu-Ife, CSP Raphael Ugbenyo, quickly mobilised his Anti-Robbery team as well as a team of Special Anti-Robbery Squad to the scene.

“On sighting the policemen, the robbers engaged them in a gun battle which lasted for about 30 minutes. At the end of the encounter, one of the hoodlums was shot dead while others escaped into the nearby bush with various degrees of gunshot injuries.

“Recovered from the scene are: two mock guns, a cell phone, charms and a torch. The corpse of the dead robber has been deposited in the mortuary while effort is on to apprehend the fleeing members of the gang.”

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