Tears as family buries NSCDC official killed by bandits

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Oyo NSCDC Commandant, Akinsanya

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Emotion ran wild on Thursday at Araba Oluwo community in Ibadan, the Oyo State capital, as family, friends and personnel of the Nigeria Security and Civil Defence Corps, Oyo State command, witnessed the burial of Benjamin Oyewole, an official of the NSDC who was killed by hoodlums on Saturday.

Oyewole, an Inspector of Corps in the Armed-Squad Unit of the NSCDC, was on secondment to the Oyo State Joint Security Task Force, otherwise called Operation Burst, when he was killed.

A statement made available to journalists in Ibadan by the NSCDC Public Relations Officer, Oluwole Olusegun, read in part, "The deceased, who was on secondment to the State Joint Security Task Force (Operation Burst), while on an official duty to rescue a Lebanese who was kidnapped at

Panarama Farm, Mekun, Oke Alaro, fell to the bullet of the gunmen who laid ambush for the team on Saturday.

"Speaking during the burial, the state Commandant of the NSCDC, Iskilu Akomsanya, represented by the Assistant Commandant, Akeju Yomi, expressed sympathy on behalf of the management to the family of the deceased and prayed that the Lord grant the family the fortitude to bear the loss."

In attendance at the burial were officials of the NSCDC, the deceased's family members, associates and friends. ,,