

One feared dead as hoodlums attack Lagos cops

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There was pandemonium in the Akodo area of Ibeju-Lekki, Lagos State, on Monday, when some hoodlums attacked some policemen in the area.

It was gathered that one Wale Kalejaiye had led the policemen to the community to arrest some people.

PUNCH Metro learnt that the policemen arrested three suspects and were on their way out of the community when the informant identified another suspect.

Our correspondent learnt that as the policemen stopped to arrest the new suspect, the hoodlums attacked the team.

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Kalejaiye

It was learnt that 40-year-old Kalejaiye was feared killed, while two vehicles and houses belonging to his family members were destroyed.

A witness, who identified himself simply as Alimi, said the hoodlums escaped with him.

He said, "They were at the Iwaju Oba Street when Wale (Kalejaiye) pointed at another suspect. The policemen came down from their vehicle to pick him when the boys started shooting and throwing broken bottles at the policemen.

"They forcefully took away Wale and right there, they started hitting him with different objects, but the policemen escaped. Since then, Wale has been missing and his mobile phone switched off."

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A police source told our correspondent that the policemen were from the Inspector General of Police Monitoring Team.

The state Police Public Relations Officer, Olumuyiwa Adejobi, promised to get back to our correspondent on the incident.

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He had yet to do so as of the time of filing this report.

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