Policeman kills colleague, ex-Delta commissioner escapes death

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The immediate past Commissioner of Environment, Delta State, John Nani, narrowly escaped death on Monday, as his orderly was killed by a mobile policeman.

Nani, who is the Executive Director, Finance and Administration of the Delta State Oil Producing Areas Development Commission, escaped death when his orderly tried to intervene in a matter between him and the policeman allegedly attached to Seplat Petroleum Development Company Plc in Sapele.

PUNCH Metro gathered that a Toyota Hilux van conveying Seplat staff hit Nani's car at Ajogodo around 7pm.

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A source told our correspondent that the van bashed Nani's car from behind.

While the ex-commissioner parked to check the level of damage done to his vehicle, he was reportedly assaulted by the mobile policeman.

Our correspondent gathered that the deceased officer, who tried to intervene, was shot in the thigh.

"The mobile policeman wanted to shoot Nani, but his orderly threw himself and took the bullet.

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"He was rushed to a hospital, but he couldn't survive it," he added.

The source said the mobile policeman had been arrested.

Efforts to reach the state Police Public Relations Officer, SP Onome Onovwakpoyeya, failed as she did not take her calls.