

# 2 Gunmen on motorcycle kill Osun NURTW official

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A top official of the National Union of Road Transport Workers in Osun State, Rabiun Tajudeen, was on Friday shot dead by gunmen on a motorcycle suspected to be members of a cult group.

It was also learnt that the deceased's daughter, whose name could not be immediately ascertained, was also hit by a bullet during the attack.

Until his death, Tajudeen, was said to be an official of the Lagos Park branch of the NURTW in Osogbo and was usually seen in company with the chairman of Oroki Branch of the union, Kazeem Oyewale, also known as 'Asiri Eniba.'

According to an eyewitness, Tajudeen was shot in front of his wife's shop located around Ilesa Garage by some yet-to-be identified assailants, who tracked him to the area.

The eyewitness who owns a shop around the Ilesa Garage area, who spoke on condition of anonymity, told our correspondent that he was buying soup ingredients by the roadside when three men on a motorcycle arrived at the scene.

The eyewitness added, "They shot him at close range. He was directly in front of his wife's shop at Ilesa Garage when the incident happened. He died on the spot."

Contacted, the state police spokesperson, Yemisi Ogalola, confirmed that one Rabiun Tajudeen, aged 45, was shot dead by some yet-to-be identified assailants.

Ogalola said, "We got the report around 12:40pm on Friday and we immediately mobilised to the scene. On arrival at the scene, we met the corpse of a male. Information gathered revealed that the deceased named Tajudeen Rabiun aged 45, who was a suspected cultist, was shot dead in front of his wife's shop at Ilesa Garage area by

unidentified persons on a Bajaj motorcycle. The perpetrators fled the scene immediately they committed the crime."

## Activists fume as

**Deji Lambo and Godfrey George**

Some activists and social commentators have condemned the killing of a cop by soldiers in Lagos.

An inspector serving with the Lagos State Police died from the torture he allegedly received from soldier colleagues in the Trade Fair area of the state.

Another Inspector, Igbafe Ojo, who was reportedly hospitalised at the military hospital in the Ojo Military were said to be battling to save his life.

City Round gathered that the soldiers were on their way to attend a training programme at the Ojo Military Cantonment on Wednesday when the bus conveying them to the destination encountered a mild traffic around the Trade Fair area of the Lagos Badagry Expressway.

Speaking with one of our correspondents, an eyewitness said some of the soldiers, upon realising that the traffic was caused by policemen trying to pave the way for a truck driver to link the expressway, alighted from the vehicle to challenge the policemen.

The eyewitness, however, said the situation led to an argument that degenerated into a fight when one of the soldiers allegedly slapped one of the policemen, adding that the soldiers arrested two policemen. The three other policemen were said to have fled the scene.

"The soldiers beat and took two of the policemen to their barracks. They wanted to take the third policeman away but he shot into the air and escaped. The other inspector was also able to escape but the senior policeman was beaten severely, and they took his gun, the source noted.

Contacted, the state police spokesperson, Benjamin Hundeyin, said, "There was an issue between soldiers and police on Wednesday, and the command is working closely with the army high command to resolve the