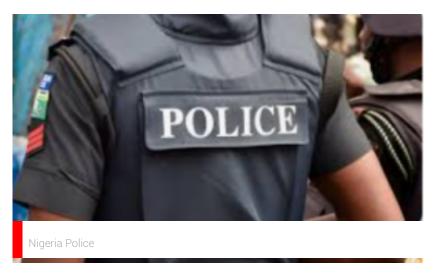
Three under probe over killing of Ondo driver

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The Ondo State Police Command on Thursday said it had arrested three persons in connection with the alleged killing of a man, Adewale Olowolafe.

Omolafe was allegedly killed by the suspects along Ijare Road in Akure, the state capital, on Wednesday. It was gathered that the suspects were security guards in the area.

An eyewitness, who craved anonymity because he was not permitted to speak to the media, stated that the suspects allegedly beat the deceased during a fight with an iron rod, leading to his death, saying that the mastermind of the killing was a female who had also been arrested by the police.

The eyewitness said, "The deceased was from Ijare; he was a driver and was killed yesterday (Wednesday) afternoon by some private security guards along Ijare Road. The boy was hacked to death by the guards for no justifiable reason.

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"The guy was equally hit with hot iron and sticks. The killing was mastermind by a woman. The deceased was going about his normal daily activities when the attackers pounced on him. Some people selling maize around the area offered the suspects firewood with which attackers hit the deceased."

When *PUNCH Metro* contacted the state Police Public Relations Officer, Mrs Funmilayo Odunlami, she confirmed the incident and the suspects' arrest. She said the matter had been transferred to the State Criminal Investigation Department for further investigation.

"Three persons have been arrested and the matter has been transferred to the SCID for further investigation. I will give more details as soon as I get it," the PPRO stated.