

# Gunmen kill woman in Benue, abduct Rivers revenue director

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 Gunmen

A middle-aged woman identified as Theresa Awuhe, was killed by gunmen in Makurdi, the capital city of Benue State while they abducted a director with the Rivers State Board of Internal Revenue Service, identified as Aribibia Fubara.

The woman was said to be returning from her shop Saturday night when the hoodlums tracing her waylaid her around the Villa Suite and shot her dead.

According to a resident who pleaded anonymity, nothing was taken from the woman as her assailants fled after killing her.

When *PUNCH Metro* contacted the Police Public Relations Officer for Benue Command, SP Catherine Anene, she confirmed the incident adding that an investigation was ongoing.

She said, “The case was reported to the police and investigation is ongoing.”

However, Fubara was said to have been whisked on Monday by the gunmen who reportedly came through the Okirika waterfront in a speedboat to the Marine Base area of Port Harcourt.

*PUNCH Metro* learnt that the gunmen, numbering about six, stormed the area in a commando-style, and shot indiscriminately into the air causing pandemonium.

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On arrival in the area, it was gathered that the hoodlums quickly identified their target in the melee, whisked him into their steaming boat and zoomed off to an unknown destination.

The victim is said to be a Knight of Saint Christopher of the Anglican Communion, Church of Nigeria.

The captors had yet to make any contact with the family of their captive as of the time of filing this report on Monday evening.

When contacted, the spokesman for the state police command, Grace Iringe-Koko, confirmed the incident, saying an investigation had commenced to rescue the victim.

Iringe-Koko, a Superintendent of Police, said, “Yes, the command is aware of the incident.

“The Commissioner of Police, Olatunji Disu, has ordered the deployment of all tactical units and alerted all area commanders to ensure he is rescued unhurt

“Also, the CP has given them marching orders to ensure the suspects are apprehended and made to face the law.