

Oyo mob beats soldier over alleged killing of NSCDC officer



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A soldier identified as Abubakar has allegedly killed a Nigerian Civil and Security Defence Corps officer, Olapade Segun.

Abubakar and Segun were said to have met at a nightclub in the Bodija area of Oyo State on Friday.

PUNCH Metro gathered on Sunday that a heated altercation ensued between the two security agents, which led Abubakar to bring out his dagger.

According to sources privy to the matter, who pleaded anonymity, Abubakar stabbed Segun and he died as a result of the blood lost through the incident.

A source told our correspondent that a mob angered by the incident beat up the soldier after he tried to escape from the scene.

"A soldier called Abubakar and an NSCDC official had a heated altercation at a nightclub in the Bodija area of Ibadan. The soldier, who was angered by the situation, brought out his dagger and stabbed the NSCDC officer. He died as

a result of the blood he lost. The soldier wanted to run from the scene but the angry crowd got hold of him and beat him to a pulp. It took the arrival of his colleagues who dispersed the crowd before he was freed," the source said.

Another source said some senior officers of the Nigerian Army have been visiting the state command of the NSCDC to investigate the matter.

"I learnt the Army has set up a panel to investigate the matter because some senior officers of the service have been visiting the state command concerning the incident."

Efforts to get the Director of Nigerian Army Public Relations, Major General Onyema Nwachukwu, on Sunday evening were futile.

A call to his number indicated it was switched off. He had yet to respond to a message sent to him as of the time of filing this report.

His NSCDC counterpart, Babawale Afolabi, did not pick up several calls to his line and has yet to respond to messages sent to him on the matter.