Police probe Kwara robbery

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The Kwara State Police Command, on Friday, said it has launched a discreet investigation into the alleged armed robbery attack which occurred on Rore/Arandun road in Irepodum Local Government Area of the state, which claimed two lives on Thursday.

The command's spokesperson, Adetoun Ejire-Adeyemi, in a statement on Friday, said that "two people were killed allegedly by the same gang of gunmen at different locations while carrying out their criminal operation around Rore and Arandun communities."

One of the victims, according to the statement, was said to be a 40-year-old security guard at a residence in Rore, who was said to be shot while preventing the gunmen from breaking into the residence.

"The other was described as a 38-year-old driver of a vehicle passing through the highway from Ora community in Osun State with loads of farm produce."

"He was said to have been shot dead while a passenger in the vehicle sustained a serious injury," the statement said.

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Ejire-Adeyemi, who confirmed the incident in a statement, said corpses of the two victims had been taken to the mortuary while the police had commenced an investigation into the matter.

The statement read, "The Kwara State Police Command confirms an unfortunate armed robbery and culpable homicide incident which occurred at about 06:30 hours on Thursday, 28th August 2025, along Rore/Arandun highway, Irepodun LGA.

"Armed hoodlums attacked the residence of a businessman, Mr Oyetoyan Dare, during which his private security guard, Mr Wale Ajiboye, aged 40, was fatally shot while resisting their attempt to gain entry into the residence.

"In a related development, the same gang ambushed a vehicle conveying farm produce from Ora in Osun state; the driver, Mr Taiye Yebi, aged 38, who was unaware of the robbery incident, while driving past, was fatally shot, and another passenger sustained minor injury."

According to the statement, the Commissioner of Police, Adekimi Ojo, has ordered a discreet investigation and reinforced patrols within the area to forestall recurrence.