

# Gunmen Kill College Bursary Staff Member

**A**rmed men, suspected to be robbers, have abducted and killed Stephen Omole, a bursary member of staff of Federal College of Education (FCE), Okene, Kogi.

Omole's lifeless body was found in a bush along Itakpe-Eika road where his assailants dumped him after abducting him from his residence at Otite in Okehi Local Government Area of the state.

A family member of the deceased, who preferred anonymity, told a News Agency of Nigeria (NAN) correspondent at the scene that the armed men invaded Omole's home opposite the FCE and demanded for money.

Omole was said to have told his assailants that he had no money at home, and offered to part with the keys of his Toyota Camry car.

According to witnesses, the suggestion angered the hoodlums who dragged him

outside, dumped him in a car and drove away.

NAN reports that Omole's body, which had a bullet wound on the head, was found on Saturday by passersby who alerted the police.

The policemen at the scene of the incident declined comment.

When contacted on phone, the state Police Public Relations Officer, Mr. Simon Ile, said the command had yet to be briefed on the matter, and promised to get in touch with the Okehi Divisional Police Office.

However, the provost of the college, Prof. Iyela Ajayi, confirmed the death of the staff member, saying it was an armed robbery attack.

A member of staff of the college, who did not want to be named, described Omole as an easy-going man who could not hurt a fly.

The staff member wondered why anyone would want him killed.