

## **Police Corporal Shot Dead**

Alhaji Nma Kudu, Deputy Commissioner of Police in Sokoto State, on Thursday confirmed that unidentified persons killed a mobile po-lice corporal in Mabera area of Sokoto metropolis on 9, January.

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Kudu told newsmen in Sokoto that the police had since begun investigation into the incident to unravel the cause.

"We will leave no stone un-turned until we find the killers

Local Council Development

Chairman of Action Congress of Nigeria Party ACN, Ejigbo chapter, Mr Michael Adegoke, described his death as a great loss not to the ACN party in Lagos but also to the sports industry in Nigeria.

He said Ositelu was a gener-

ous and lively person who cared for the needy when he was the chairman of the LCDA.

"When I heard the news that Ositelu was dead, I was shocked and speechless because the last time I saw him, he was hale and hearty. His death has brought sadness to the entire Egigbo LCDA and its environs. But I thank God for his life. He lived a fulfilled life. May God give his family the fortitude to bear this great loss," he said.

Former House Leader of EJigbo LCDA, Sakariyah Oyelami, said his death was very painful and shocking to his political associates, adding that he would always remember Ositelu for his creativity, accountability and transparency "When I heard the news that

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of the police officer and bring them to book accordingly.

"A suspect has been arrested in connection with the crime and he is helping the police in

The killing has nothing to do with any element of terrorism. It is more or less an in house crime," Kudu said.

He said the deceased did not commit suicide, adding that "he was killed".

NAN learnt that the deceased

when he was the chairman of

The current chairman of Ejig-bo LCDA, Kehinde Bamgbetan and other ACN party members and family members also signed the condolence register before

Ositelu was a journalist for over 30 years and was a former editor of the defunct Concord newspaper and a former Group Sports Editor of The Punch

Newspapers.
He left The Punch in 1987 to venture into private publish-

ing business.

He wrote columns for many newspapers, including The Concord and The Guardian and until his death, he was a member of the editorial board of The Guardian Newspapers.

Ositelu was the first Nigerian print journalist to receive the

print journalist to receive the National Sports Merit Award.

been a very long while."

Meanwhile, traders who lost their wares to the fire outbreak refused to make any comment as they'd rather the Association's Executives spoke with P.M.NEWS.

While recounting his losses, one of the traders murmured to himself: "This is a period of real trial, God why did this happen now?"

was with a relative who visited him before his death. It was also learnt that the incident happened in the early hours of 9 January, shortly after the relative went for an early morning provers.

ing prayers.
"He only returned to see that the police officer had already been killed," a source said.

## l'II Be Next Lagos **GOV**—GOS Declares

JAMIU YISA

The Senate Minority Whip, Senator Ganiyu Olanrewaju Solomon, GOS, has declared that he would be the next governor of Lagos State, come 2015.

The Senator who represents Lagos West Senatorial district made this declaration on Thursday while speaking on one-on-one, an interactive programme on the Nigeria Television Authority (NTA).

He explained that with his experience and developmental vision nursed over the years for the state, he was more than prepared to take the state further. .

"I have the experience and I am convinced that I will take the state further from where it is now," he said.

National Sports Merit Awaru.
He also ventured into politics in 2004 and became the chaft where he represented Mushin man of Ejigbe Lotton and Constituency I, also Development and Constituency I, also State.