

One killed, 4 militants arrested in Lagos community

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A member of a local Vigilance group, Oodua Peoples Congress (OPC), was yesterday shot dead while many other civilians were injured during gun battle with militants at Igbo-Olomo area of Ikorodu, Lagos.

However, after the gun duel, four members of the militants were arrested by the OPC members.

The military since last Thursday been bombing creeks between Ogun and Lagos States boundaries, forcing militants who could no longer stand the military assault to start fleeing the creeks.

The militants have been terrorising residents of communities around Igbo Olomu area of Ikorodu.

The OPC members engaged the militants in a fierce gun battle around Yewa community in Igbo Olomu.

After the gun battle, the OPC released two landlords who were earlier kidnapped by the militants.

The arrested militants were handed over to the Divisional Police Officer in-charge of Owutu Police Station, who later handed them over to the Area Commander in charge of the area.

It was gathered that the OPC members from Ogbagba zone responded to a distress call that the militants had invaded Yewa area of Olainu Kan, where they kidnapped two person, including a landlord, Mr Daniel.

The OPC responded and caught up with the militants, who had by then relocated to part of the creek and a serious clash ensued between the two groups.

The abducted members of the Lagos community were rescued.

The militants after a retreat, regrouped and ambushed the OPC members who were returning home, killing one of them, Tunde Sogunro in another round of gun duel.