Osun police arrest hunter for shooting man to death

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THE Osun State Police Command has arrested a hunter for allegedly shooting a man to death in the Iwo area of the state.

It was gathered that the hunter allegedly shot the man around 3am, while a member of an Islamic organisation, Taawunu, saw the incident and alerted the police.

Findings showed that the hunter wanted to carry the deceased, but a witness escalated and prevented him from carrying out his action.

The spokesperson of the Nigeria Security and Civil Defence Corps (NSCDC), Adeleke Kehinde, confirmed the incident, adding that some youths wanted to prevent the arrest and started burning tyres.

The Public Relations Officer of the police, Yemisi Opalola, said the command had set up an investigative team to unravel the circumstances that led to the 'shooting and death' of the deceased.

"The Osun State police command is miffed with the report/news of the shooting/killing of a man in Iwo despite continuous warnings/sensitisation of members of the public, especially hunters and other local security outfits on the use of guns (firearms).

"The command is using this medium to appeal to members of the public, especially the family of the deceased and residents of Iwo to remain calm and not to take the law into their own hands as the command has set up a team of crack detectives to investigate the circumstances that led to the shooting/killing of the man in the town. Meanwhile, the suspect has since been identified, arrested, and presently in police custody, Opalola said.