



Policeman kills man during argument

A policeman, who could not be identified at press time, yesterday shot and killed a middle-age man, Segun Emir, at Oke- Baale area of Osogbo, Osun State. Trouble started when the policeman reportedly slapped Emir after a disagreement which ensued between them at Gbeja football pitch, the scene of the incident.

Sources said that after the slap, Emir asked the policeman why he slapped him. This infuriated the policeman who shot him the victim, saying Emir had no right to question his authority as a policeman.

It was learnt that those around rushed the victim to a private hospital but he was rejected because he had lost a lot of blood. He was later taken to the Ladoke Akintola Teaching Hospital Complex, Osogbo, where he gave up the ghost. Speaking on the development, the state Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO), Folasade Odoro, said the Commissioner of Police, Mr. Fimihan Adeoye, had ordered a full scale investigation into the matter.

The PPRO explained that the deceased was among the touts who attacked a police patrol team and prevented the policemen from rescuing some people who made a distress call to the police. She said: "We received a distress call that over 50 thugs led by Akaje, Ora and Epo were harassing innocent people at Aloyunkewu, Imole n fe Alaafia Street, Lion Junction, Ori Eeru, Oke Allahu all at Oke-Baale area in Osogbo and that peoples' lives were in danger.

"Policemen were deployed to the scene swiftly to rescue people and when the police patrol team got there, the thug attacked the policemen with dangerous weapons. The Commissioner of Police, Mr. Fimihan Adeoye, has ordered a full scale investigation into the matter."

