

How Our Abductors Killed Driver, Hacked Another With Machete -Corps Members



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Four youth Corps members and one other person who were kidnapped on their way from orientation camp have narrated their experiences in the hands of kidnappers who kept them in captivity for five days.

The victims including Adewole Paul Oluwaseun, Oluwadara Feranmi, Andrew Patience, Oribamise Taiwo, all female Youth Corps members, and Ajayi Lekan, a cabinet maker, were abducted along Owo/Ifon road last week and released on Monday night after spending five days in kidnappers' den.

The victims' families had to raise N5 million as ransom before they were released by their abductors. They were released along Idase/Ute Road, Owo, having trekked through the forest from the point they were abducted to Idase forest.

Narrating their ordeal to reporters yesterday, a victim, Patience Andrew, who spoke on behalf of others said: "We boarded a bus from Abia State to Onitsha, but our driver was not fast enough.

We got there around 2 pm. We boarded another bus going to Akure, but the driver did not take off immediately, so we left Onitsha Park around 5 pm with nine passengers in a Siena bus.

"We got to Ondo State around 10 pm when the incident happened. They flashed a torch light on the driver and the driver said: "Oga I no see you.

They fired him twice the moment he made that statement and the woman sitting next to him. One guy was butchered. So, two people died and we don't know about the guy who was cut with a machete, he ran away.

“Then they brought us out of the vehicle and they took us into the bush. We trekked from past 10 pm till around 7 am the following day in the bush.

The kidnappers were five in number and their age range should be around 25 years and not up to 30 years. They were speaking the Hausa/Fulani language and they had one interpreter.

“They tortured us and we were only given garri and water. At first, they asked for N30 million per person, but as the negotiation was going they brought it down to N3 million.