

Suspect Killed as Bandits on 'Okada' Snatch Workers' Salary

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An irate mob Friday descended on a member of an armed robbery gang that snatched an

undisclosed amount of cash meant for the salaries of workers of an un-named private company in Warri, Delta State, killing him on the spot.

Other members of the gang, which operated on a motorcycle ("Okada"), reportedly escaped with the said huge sum of money believed to have been withdrawn earlier from a commercial bank in the area.

This is as a courageous mini-bus driver popularly called Danfo foiled an attempt to snatch N3 million from a lady who withdrew it from a bank in Apapa as he hit the armed robbers who had shot the girl and snatched the money from her.

THISDAY gathered that the some angry bystanders ignored the fact that the dead robbery suspect was armed with a gun and shooting sporadically at those who gave him a hot chase.

However, the chasers did not relent even after four persons were hit by stray bullets from the desperate gangster until he was overtaken and caught.

According to eye-witness accounts, the unfortunate bandit was chased from the Enerhen Junction area on the ever-busy Warri-Sapele Road and was eventually apprehended and beaten to death at Okoro Street a stone-throw from the NUJ Warri Chapel Press Centre. In the Apapa incident, eyewitness account has it that immediately the lady came out from the bank, she was accosted by the robbers who were on motor bike popularly called okada

who shot her in the leg before taking the money from her.

Luck however ran out on them when they were fleeing with the loot but unknown to them, the Danfo driver was watching them and suddenly hit them and they fell with the money scattering all over. They started shooting sporadically on air to scare a crowd that had gathered but they refused to give way.

After exhausting their bullets, the crowd caught up with them while one of the robbers who tried to run away after the police had come to the scene was gunned down while the other surrendered. The lady was taken to an undisclosed hospital in Apapa for medical attention while the police took the dead robber and his colleague to their station.

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