Shila Boys on Rampage, Kill 3 in Yola

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A group of hoodlums going by the name, 'Shila Boys' yesterday went on rampage and killed three persons in a reprisal attack in Jambutu, a suburb of Yola, Adamawa State capital.

According to eyewitness, trouble started when a group of hoodlums terrorising citizens in the state capital on daily basis popularly called Shila boys killed an old man last week.

The relatives of the deceased old man irked by the development allegedly attacked the group of hoodlums which led to a serious clash between the two warring sides that resulted in one of the boys being killed and many injured

The source further explained that the Shila Boys as a result of the clash retreated, re-enforced and immediately after the Friday Mosque prayers, launched attacks on their targets which claimed the lives of three people at Jambutu Primary School.

Shila Boys, is a group of hoodlums across the state capital ,who specialise in snatching of bags, handsets, money and valuables on streets or inside Keke NAPEP, taxi and even inside the homes of residents.

According to residents, the Shila Boys were allegedly supported by some top government officials and used to carry out dirty jobs which had been a torn on their flesh, accused the security of not being able to put them in check.

"These Shila Boys are also dealers in hard drugs, go about with weapons to use to threaten residents who might want to refuse to handover their valuables," one of the residents lamented.

The Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO) of the state police command, Abubakar Othman confirmed the incident but explained he was yet to get details at the time of sending this report.

Othman said meanwhile the command had deployed a group of policemen to the troubled area to quell the situation.

However, he did not confirm the number of casualties, saying he was yet to receive report from the DPO of the affected area.