

4-man gang murders 28-yr-old Onitsha trader

OBOSI — THE Police in Anambra State has swung into action to unveil the circumstance surrendering the murder of a 28-year-old Azubuike Nwankwo by suspected four-man-gang in Awada-Obosi near Onitsha.

The incident which occurred about 5 pm last Sunday around Oraifite/Umunze Street, Awada, Obosi, according to an eyewitness, started when the gang said the deceased dented their car with his motorcycle.

Nwankwo who hailed from Ogboji Egu-utu village Ezzagu in Ishielu Local Government Area of Ebonyi State but resided at 10, Paul Okigwe Street, Oduke Layout, Obosi met his untimely death when he was on his way to a family meeting in brother's house at Awada.

It was gathered that the gang leader (names withheld) who hails from Mbaise in Imo State is currently assisting police in their investigation.

According to a reliable source, trouble started when the gang stopped the deceased and the leader brought out a jack from his car and hit him on the head.

The victim, popularly called Tallest by his admirers while trying to run for his life when the beating was unbearable, was also blocked by the gang.

According to an eyewitness, one of them was said to have hit the deceased with a block on the head which led to his becoming unconscious.

According to the source, "on noticing the victim's state, three others escaped while the crowd apprehended their leader and called the Police.

"The victim was rushed to one of the hospitals in Awada where he later died."

Confirming the incident, the Divisional Police Officer in charge of Awada Police Station, CSP Dimale Joseph said they have arrested one of the suspects while investigation was ongoing on how to arrest other.

He, however, confirmed that the case had been transferred to the State Criminal Investigation Department, SCID.