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Policeman slumps, dies during promotional exam

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The ongoing promotional examination of policemen to the rank of Sergeant and Inspector, at the Police College, Ikeja, Lagos, turned tragic yesterday after a Police Sergeant attached to the Oyo State Police Command slumped and died.

The Sergeant identified simply as Lekan, reportedly wrote the promotional examination with his other colleagues between Wednesday and Friday last week.

Vanguard gathered that officers who passed the examination were expected to undergo an assessment exercise with a team of senior Police officers headed by an Assistant Inspector General of Police.

Before the assessment, the policemen reportedly assembled in a syndicate of 50 on the parade ground, awaiting their turn.

But the situation took a tragic dimension when Sergeant Lekan, who was to be promoted to the rank of Inspector, reportedly slumped at about 1pm. Members of his syndicate were said to have tried all they could to resuscitate him, to no avail.

A doctor said to have arrived the parade ground informed the perplex policemen that Lekan had passed on.

An ambulance from the Lagos State University Teaching Hospital, LASUTH, later arrived the scene and removed the corpse to the mortuary.









Though the situation jolted the policemen but it did not stop the assessment exercise.

Police sources at the college told Vanguard that the deceased came to the college sick.

According to a policeman who spoke on condition of anonymity, "we are from the same command. Lekan was involved in an auto accident back in Oyo state.

"In fact, he managed to come for the promotional course because he had been sick. He passed the examination that was

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