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## Gunmen invade Ebute-Meta in Lagos, kill 4, injure 20

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**LAGOS**—Suspected cultists on Monday invaded the Ebute-Meta area of Lagos State, killing four persons and injuring twenty others.

Residents said the gunmen who wore masks and operated for about one hour without any resistance from security agencies, drove into the community at about 9.30pm in two cars and shot sporadically at residents of Odofin, Kano, Jebba, Osolake and Bello Streets.

When *Vanguard* visited the community on Tuesday, a team of policemen from the Denton Police station and the Rapid Response Squad were seen patrolling the community.

According to a police source, the team of policemen stormed the Ebute Onipomo area, a slum community, close to where the shooting took place and arrested four persons in connection with the shooting.

The police source also stated that three corpses were recovered from the scene of the shooting at Ebute-Onipomo in the wee hours of Tuesday.

When contacted over the incident, the Chief (Baale,) of the Okobaba community, Alhaji Musbau Junadu said his son is among the residents shot by the gun men.

He said: “I left Odofin Street for my house but as I was parking my car, I got a phone call that gun men were shooting. I hurried back and saw that my son, Muheed, was shot on his two legs. He is a footballer but they want to render him useless. I am at the Igbobi hospital to ensure that he survives.

“My son and other residents shot by the robbers have been taken to the hospital for treatment. I cannot tell you who these people (gun men) are or where they came from. One Kazeem died from the gun shot he sustained”

It was further gathered that the gunmen were repelled from attacking residents at Apapa Road by a combined team of policemen and the vigilante group. Musbau Agbodimu, secretary of the Vigilante Goup of Nigeria in Lagos said: “We learned that the gunmen stormed the area and started shooting sporadically.”

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