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## Hoodlums kill traditional ruler, Prince in Lagos

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A traditional ruler in Abule-Ado, Amuwo Odofin Local Government Area of Lagos State, has died from deep machete cuts to his head, hands and face, inflicted on him by some miscreants, who invaded the community. He died on Monday.

Another resident, who was severely injured in the fracas that brought human movements in the densely-populated community to a halt, is said to be receiving treatment at an undisclosed hospital.

Life was snuffed out of the monarch, who was recently installed as the Akogun of Ado Kingdom, Chief Muritala Akogun, in his attempt to prevent some miscreants who had invaded the community from causing havoc, last Saturday.

It was learned that fire engulfed some shanties in Abule-Ado community, last Friday. While owners of the affected shanties scampered for safety, some residents tried to salvage their property.

However, some miscreants, who hijacked the situation, stole some of the property.

One of them was said to have been caught with a television set, which he was taking away. Infuriated by his action, some residents reportedly beat him and collected the stolen television set from him.

But the miscreant was said to have mobilised his members, who invaded the community, Saturday

while Chief Akogun was pleading with Akeem Lawal to call his boys to order.

"We stood in front of Ado youth office, when we sighted the cutlass-wielding hoodlums approaching.

"Since Akeem, their coordinator had assured us that there was no cause for alarm, we stayed back unknown to us that they had a sinister motive.

"They got so close to us that it became impossible to escape and started attacking us.

"When they launched their attack, their coordinator, Lawal, simply walked straight to his vehicle and drove off without cautioning his boys.

"Prince Fasiu was attacked inside the toilet where he ran into for safety. Fasiu was hiding under the washing hand basin, when one of the hoodlums attacked him."

Chief Akogun and Prince Fasiu were later rushed to a private hospital. Unfortunately, Chief Akogun died in the early hours of Monday as a result of the severe injuries he sustained, while doctors are still battling to save Prince Fasiu."

### Police nab suspects

Meanwhile Vanguard gathered that eight persons had been arrested in connection with the murder.

Police sources said the suspects were transferred from Trade Fair Division to the State Criminal Investigation and Intelligence Department, SCIID, Yaba.

The attack

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