

# NYSC confirms killing of corps member along Jere-Abuja highway

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**ABUJA**—The National Youth Service Corps, NYSC, yesterday, said none of the 16 corps members, who survived a deadly attack by armed robbers along Jere-Abuja highway, was kidnapped or missing.

In a release in Abuja, NYSC's Director, Press and Public Relations, Mrs Adenike Adeyemi, described a report published in a national newspaper that the corps members were kidnapped as false.

However, she said one corps

member, Bomoi Suleiman Yusuf, died from gunshot injuries he suffered during the robbery attack on the vehicle conveying them to the northern part from Osun State where they had undergone the 2020 Batch "B" Stream 1B orientation course.

She said: "The attention of NYSC management has been drawn to the news making the rounds concerning the death and alleged abduction of some corps members travelling from Osun State by kidnappers.

"The true position is that, indeed, 17 corps members that completed the 2020 Batch "B" Stream 1B orientation programme at the NYSC

Permanent Orientation Camp, Ede, Osun State, on Tuesday, December 22, 2020 boarded vehicles heading towards the northern part of the country.

"Tragically, along Jere-Abuja Expressway, they were accosted by a gang of armed robbers whose sporadic gunshots unfortunately felled a corps member, Bomoi Suleiman Yusuf.

"It is imperative to state that the 16 other corps members were never abducted."

Adeyemi described the death of corps member Yusuf as a big loss, not just to his family, but to the scheme and the entire nation at large.