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Normalcy has returned after a clash between some youths and police officers at Elemoro in the Lekki area of the state, the spokesperson of Lagos Police Command, Benjamin Hundeyin, has said.  
  
Hundeyin, a Chief Superintendent of Police (CSP) in a statement on Friday in Lagos, said that the incident occurred in Onosa community in the Elemoro area.  
  
“Today Aug. 29, six officers from Elemoro Division while on routine patrol encountered an irate (sic) mob.  
  
“In the course of ensuring their own safety, the officers used their firearms, resulting in three individuals sustaining injuries.  
  
“The injured persons were taken to hospital for medical attention, ” he said.  
  
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Hundeyin said that the Commissioner of Police, Mr. Olohundare Jimoh, promptly responded to the incident by personally leading a detachment of officers to the scene.  
  
“The swift intervention led to the removal of all barricades, restoring the free-flow of traffic in the area.  
  
“CP Jimoh also visited the Onosa community and engaged with youth and community leaders in the area to de-escalate tension and embrace peace.  
  
“He extended an invitation to the youth leaders for continued dialogue to address concerns and prevent future occurrences, ” Hundeyin said.  
  
Hundeyin said that the policemen involved in the shooting had been taken into custody as investigations into the incident had begun.  
  
“The command is committed to a thorough and transparent inquiry to establish the facts surrounding the event.  
  
“Normalcy has been restored to the area and significant police presence remain in place to ensure the sustenance of the restored peace and order, ” he said.  
  
Hundeyin urged residents to remain calm, cooperate with law enforcement agencies, and refrain from actions that could disrupt public peace.