

Cultists kill Delta monarch's son

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RAMPAGING cultists yesterday killed son of the Asagba of Okpanam Kingdom HRM Abua Ozilu in Oshimili North Local Government of Delta State despite several warnings by the state police command.

The deceased Prince Chichi Ozilu and two others whose identities were not immediately

known as at press time were reportedly killed during a clash between two rival cults.

Though, details of the circumstances which led to the clash were hazy as at press time, the clash may have resulted from an argument over an undisclosed matter in a meeting held recently at the community by the cultists whose ages ranged from 14 to 16.

Master Azilu, 16, was accused of a lukewarm attitude and mismanagement of information as a leader of group.

In a renewed orgy of violence yesterday, the cultists attempted to attack a police team which urged them to keep the peace but were repelled by anti-riot police officers deployed to the scene.

The cultists who stormed the streets in large numbers yesterday

morning, paralyzed business and social activities in the community.

They brandished various dangerous weapons ranging from machetes, iron rods, battle-axes to shot-guns and they threatened to shoot any perceived enemy.

Delta Police Public Relations Officer Charles Muka while confirming the incident said police investigation had commenced over the cult killing.