

# 6 killed in ACN, PDP clash in Benue

**From Toryila Kajo, Makurdi**

SIX persons were killed yesterday in a clash between supporters of the Action Congress of Nigeria (ACN) and the Peoples Democratic Party (PDP) at Ugba in Logo Local Government Area of Benue State.

It was gathered that the violence started on Sunday when youths believed to be loyal to PDP allegedly burnt a tipper belonging to one Tsebee Agber an indigene of Konshisha Local Government residence in Ugba.

Some youths were said to have invaded his residence yesterday

at about midnight where he was macheted to death along with his brother, who was a student of Benue State University.

It was also learnt that some youths loyal to the ACN invaded the palace of a district head of Mbayam where four people were said to have been killed in a

reprisal attack.

Governor Gabriel Suswam, who visited the affected area where houses were destroyed, expressed shock over the incident.

The state's Commissioner of Police, Emmanuel Obiario, said he had deployed his men to the affected area.

## Robbers kill policeman, one civilian in Port Harcourt

**From Bashiru Abdullahi, Port Harcourt**

ARMED robbers yesterday killed a mobile police officer and one civilian driver in front of a bank about 200 meters away from the Mile One Police Station in Port Harcourt, Rivers State.

The robbers, believed to have

trailed their victims, who were about to drive into a new generation bank along the Ikwerre road in a Toyota Hilux with a foreign plate number: 758 ONG Republic of Benin, killed the driver and the policeman with tag number: 327787 and carted away unspecified amount of money.

Spokesman of the state police

command Ben Ugwuegbulam could not be reached for confirmation of the robbery incident as telephone number was not reachable and did not reply to a text message sent to him.

But a witness, who simply identified himself as Obinna, said the slain driver worked for one Songhai farm, saying, "I was to be within

the car with them. I know the civilian driver."

A reporter with the Vanguard Newspaper, Mr. George Onah, who narrowly escaped being killed, said, "I was inside my car, about to drive out when I saw them. I was waiting for them to clear when suddenly the shooting started and bullets destroyed the glass of my vehicle."

## One killed, 8 vehicles burnt in tanker explosion

**From Kehinde Akinyemi, Abeokuta**

AT least one person died, while eight vehicles and ten shops were burnt Sunday night when a fuel tanker exploded in Abeokuta, Ogun State.

The victim, identified as the fuel truck's driver, died yesterday in an undisclosed hospital.

The driver of the truck with the registration number XN52AGL was

said to have lost control along the Sokori road, Abeokuta.

Witnesses said the truck rammed into a fallen street light poll and exploded, adding that the inferno damaged eight vehicles parked at a nearby car wash centre as well as shops within the area.

Governor Ibikunle Amosun, who had earlier visited the scene, promised to compensate the victims.

## Jos killings: Case yet to be transferred to police

**From Andrew Agbese, Jos**

THE case involving the killing of a serving member of the Special Task Force (STF), Sergeant Baba Wuya and a ward head in Jos, Ahmadu Ali Kazaure, Saturday night, is yet to be transferred to the police for investigation, 48 hours after the incident.

Spokesman of the state police command Jacob Apev, said the

command could not comment as the case is yet to reach there.

Our correspondent could also not ascertain the claim by the STF that the body of the Ali Kazaure ward head was picked along the Riyom- Abuja road.

Residents said however that there was no fresh attack along the Riyom road Saturday night to have led to the killing.