

5 die in Ebonyi cult clash

The Ebonyi State Police Command on Monday confirmed the death of about five persons during a clash between two rival secret cult groups in the state.

Mr George Okafor, the command's Public Relations Officer, while speaking to newsmen, said, "We have been arresting and prosecuting cultists in the state, but the present situation escalated due to a feud between two rival cult groups. Most of those killed were members of the cult groups as the killings have been retaliatory in nature".

According to him, police are investigating the incidents and will disclose the number of those arrested when investigation is concluded.

"Secret cult-related incidents are common in Ebonyi and we advise members to denounce all cult activities, while non members should resist all temptations to join the groups. Cultism does not offer anything good to the society, but encourages negative tendencies such as violence which endangers societal peace," he said.

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