Cult feud claims 1 in Anambra

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A 35-year-old man has been killed in a cult clash in Abo-Akuzo in Nkpor, a community in Idemili North local government area of Anambra State.

The deceased, identified as Chibuzor Adetu, popularly known as Asoegbe, was said to have been shot in the head and back by his assailants.

Daily Trust gathered that the deceased was invited for a peace parley convened by certain concerned members of Ogidi community to resolve a land tussle in the area.

The source said the deceased, ignorant of the arrangement by the suspected cultists who were working for the other party to gun him down, honoured the invitation.

"They are actually cultists that are working for some other people. They also invited other persons, including Sunday Ezeife who did not answer them. He said he knew the callers but did not trust them," the source said, adding that as soon as the deceased arrived, the cultists started shooting and was killed in the process, while others took to their heels.

The Police Public Relations Officer in the State, ASP Nkeiru Nwode, said it was a cult killing involving two rival cult groups.

She said that through intelligence gathering, one Umeghalu Chidubem aged 25 who confessed to being an ex-member of SVC cult, alias 'BAGA' cult, was arrested with the help of the local vigilante over the case.