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Two feared dead over traditional stool crisis in Ondo

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Two people were feared dead at the weekend while properties worth millions of naira lost during a crisis that erupted in Ugbo community, in Ilaje local government area of Ondo state over the Olugbo of Ugbo land stool.

Daily Trust gathered that buildings, vehicles, boats and other valuables were set ablaze by aggrieved parties during the clash. The clash was between the supporters of the current Olugbo of Ugbo, Oba Fredrick Akinruntan, and the former occupant of the stool, Adebajo Mafimisebi.

A middle age woman, simply identified as Mafimisebi, and others were reportedly injured during the clash that lasted several hours.

It was learnt that Mafimisebi, who was removed by the Supreme Court on January 12, 2007, after occupying the throne for 25 years, was allegedly

scheming to find his way back to the throne.

After Mafimisebi's removal, the Ojadele ruling house headed by Prince Robert Nana, unanimously selected and subsequently presented Akinruntan as the candidate for the vacant stool on November 4, 2008.

One of the indigenes of the community said: "Even till now, Prince Mafimisebi doesn't realise the Olugbo of Ugbo as king. Mafimisebi believes he was dethroned unjustly. Since this new government came on board, Prince Mafimisebi, has been warming his way to use the instrument of government and