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Man killed over adultery

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A middle-aged man, Emma Orji, has been killed at Alayi Community in Bende Local Government Area of Abia State for alleged involvement in adultery with a married woman.

A member of the community said the woman in question had informed her husband she was visiting her parents' home only to be sighted in another man's house close to the community a couple of days later.

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The community member said some angry youths invaded the man's house and whisked him away for punishment, in the process of which he died and which prompted the woman to flee to an unknown destination.

The man's death did not go down well with his relatives and close friends who felt the tradition permitted not killing but a milder level of punishment to anyone found in the act. To show their displeasure, the deceased's kinsmen invaded the residence of a man they suspected to have spearheaded the whisking away of the deceased man and burnt down his house, car and some other personal effects.

The community leader, Chief Gabriel Okereke Elendu who visited the scene with the community's Police Divisional Officer (DPO), condemned the act, vowing that both those who killed Orji and those who destroyed the properties of the man who allegedly masterminded Orji's ordeal would be fished out and prosecuted.

Also speaking at the scene, the Special Adviser to the Governor on Security Matters, Capt. Awa Udensi (Rtd), said the state government condemned the act by youths of Alayi and would use all avenues at its disposal to get at the culprits.

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