

1 killed, corpses exhumed in Benue communal disturbances

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The Police in Benue State have confirmed one person killed in a communal clash at Mbayion community of Gboko Local Government Area.

The Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO) for the Benue Command, Moses Joel Yamu, said some people had been arrested in connection with the disturbances.

Locals told our correspondent that more than one person died in the disturbances which began on Sunday and spewed into the days following and several houses were burnt down.

It was also gathered that the prolonged crisis which snowballed into deadly confrontations led to the destruction of graves and exhuming of corpses and destruction of farmlands.

At the time of this report, inhabitants of the area were said to have fled while the family of Ormo Juku of Mbajov, Mbaasakera and the Igyura family of Mbaasaya, all of Mbayion in Gboko involved in the clash are counting their losses.