## 5 killed in another Ebonyi, C/River communal clashes

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Five people were killed over the weekend in renewed clashes between the Idia and Okpetumor communities of Ebonyi State and Ofonekom, Ogamana, Idoru Ofonmana as well as Igitum in Obubra local government area of Cross River State.

Report monitored over the Cross River Broadcasting Corporation and from witnesses showed that the renewed clashes followed disputes over parcels of land said to belong to the Obubra communities.

The clashes have resulted in casualties from both sides and valuable properties have also been destroyed.

The communities, according to the report, mobilised armed men to defend themselves, leading to ambushes and the killings.

Those from Ebonyi State were reported to have had upper hand and had so far captured the four communities of Obubra: Ofonekom, Ogamana, Idoru Ofonmana and Igitun and erected their signposts.

Police spokesperson in Cross River State, Irene Ugbo said the police would issue official statement on the clashes soon