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FCT polls: Thugs kill APC member, set PDP chieftain's house ablaze



■ Th APC youth leader, Aminu Saleh, who sustained injuries on his forehead at the University of Abuja Teaching Hospital in Gwagwalada

By Abubakar Sadiq Isah

A member of the All Progressives Congress (APC), Iliyasu Sani, has allegedly been stabbed to death by suspected thugs, while the house of a chieftain of the Peoples Democratic Party (PDP), Alhaji Mohammed Ibrahim Sheda, was burnt down by suspected political thugs at Sheda community in Kwali Area Council of the FCT.

Daily Trust learnt that an APC youth leader in Sheda, Aminu Saleh, who sustained a head injury during a clash between supporters of the APC and the PDP in the community is receiving treatment at the University of Abuja Teaching Hospital (UATH), Gwagwalada.

A resident of Sheda, simply identified as Yakubu, said the

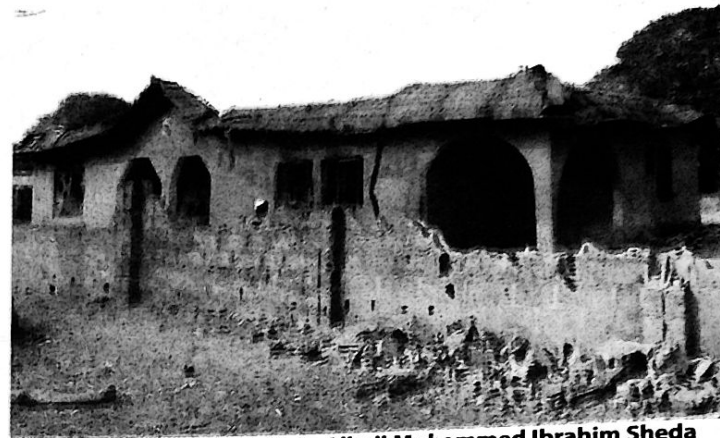
incident happened around 8pm on Tuesday, when supporters of the two major political parties in the area engaged in a fight.

Yakubu claimed that supporters of the APC in the community were celebrating the victory of the Chairman of the council, Danladi Chiya, who won re-election during the Saturday council elections when suspected thugs attacked and stabbed Iliyasu with a knife.

The APC Youth Leader in Sheda, Saleh Aminu, while narrating the incident to our reporter on his hospital bed, said it happened when members of the APC were returning home after celebrating their candidate's victory at the polls.

He said Iliyasu Sani was stabbed on the stomach.

"I was saying do you guys



■ House of the PDP chieftain Alhaji Mohammed Ibrahim Sheda after it was burnt down by suspected thugs in Sheda on Tuesday night

Photo: Abubakar Sadiq

want to kill him, but before I could finish saying that one of them brought a plank and hit me on my forehead and I fell down."

Angered by the death of the APC member, suspected thugs allegedly set ablaze the house of a PDP chieftain in the community in revenge.

Our reporter, who visited the community at about 9am, saw smoke billowing from the burnt house, while two Hilux vans loaded with policemen arrived the scene.

The PDP chieftain, Alhaji Mohammed Ibrahim, while speaking with our reporter through telephone, said he had gone to report the incident at the Gwagwalada police area command.

Alhaji Mohammed said,

"As I speak to you, I have gone to the police area command in Gwagwalada to write a statement about the incident."

In the meantime, the Chairman of Kwali, Danladi Chiya, has condemned the killing of the APC member and burning of the PDP chieftain's house.

In a statement by the spokesman of the council, Habila Emmanuel, the chairman directed detractors and criminal elements whose objective was to cause violence and apprehension in the council to desist and steer clear forthwith.

When contacted, the spokesperson of the FCT Police Command, DSP Adeh Josephine, did not pick calls or reply to an SMS sent to her on the incident.

Truck rams into Ibadan beggars' settlement, kills 2, injures several others

From Jeremiah Oke, Ibadan

Two persons have been killed while many others injured when an articulated truck plumped into the popular Beggars Settlement Centre, in Akinyele village, Akinyele local government area of the state.

A witness told City & Crime that the driver of the truck lost control and rammed into the settlement centre where two persons were reportedly killed.

Our correspondent learnt that two of the victims died on the spot while others were critically injured.

Confirming the incident, the State Commissioner for Women Affairs and Social Inclusion,

Alhaja Kafila Olayiwola attributed the accident to brake failure.

She said; "We received a call about the accident that happened at the resettlement center and we responded immediately."

"When we got there, a witness told us that a trailer loaded with rice hit another vehicle as a result of brake failure, one rammed into the fence up to the female hostel while the other trailer collapsed on another perimeter fence."

"As I speak, the injured ones are receiving and responding to treatment at a nearby government hospital while the corpses of the dead ones have been buried according to Islamic rites."

Mob beats up 'madman' mistaken for kidnapper

From Peter Moses, Abeokuta

A mob has beaten a mentally challenged man who was suspected to be a kidnapper in Abeokuta, Ogun State, amid increased cases of ritual killings in the state.

Not less than three cases of killing for money ritual have been recorded in different parts of the state within a month.

Last Sunday, a couple was caught with fresh human hands and breasts in the Leme area of Abeokuta, while two suspected ritualists were set ablaze in Oja-Odan in Yewa North Local Government Area on Saturday.

But on Tuesday, residents of Elite Road, Oke Lantoro area of Abeokuta metropolis, descended on the yet-to-be identified man

on the suspicion that he was a kidnapper.

The young man was seen loitering around some pupils at about 8am on Tuesday when the residents who suspected him pounced on him and beat him to a pulp.

A witness said the mob was about setting him on fire when the police stormed the scene and whisked him away.

The witness said, "It was a pathetic case because people who didn't know what his offence was joined in the beating. I felt so sorry for him because it took the insistence of the police to take him away from the scene where he had already been tied up to be burnt."

Another witness, Nasir Habib, said the victim responded to