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2 shot dead as APC wins in Akwa Ibom local govt

From Iniabasi Umo, Uyo

wo persons have been shot dead in Etim Ekpo Local Government Area of Akwa Ibom State during the Saturday presidential elections.

Speaking on the security situation in the area, the returning officer, Prof. Felicia Ebuh, said two persons were shot dead while two others who sustained injuries during the crisis had been hospitalised.

Ebuh stated that there were gunshots as early as 8am in the area which scared away the INEC staff, adding that elections did not hold in ward 6 and two units in ward 7 and 5.

"We had issues yesterday. As early as 8am, there were gunshots and INEC Staff had to run away. Two people were shot dead and two were hospitalised. The election did not hold in ward 6, and two units in ward 7 and 5," she said.

Meanwhile, the All Progressives Congress (APC) won the presidential election in the local government as declared by the Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC).

The APC won with 5,182 votes to beat the People's Democratic Party (PDP) which had 4,733 and Labour Party which had 278.