...Kill 2 vigilantes in Delta



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The Delta State Police Command on Sunday confirmed the killing of two vigilantes at Umutu community in Ukwuani Local Government Area of the state.

The Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO), DSP Bright Edafe, who confirmed that the two men were killed while trying to foil the kidnapping of some persons in the community, said no arrest had been made.

"It is confirmed that gunmen attempted to kidnap some persons in a community, and some members of the vigilante who saw them tried to encounter them, and in the process, the gunmen shot at them.

"We lost two of them (vigilantes), but nobody was eventually kidnapped," he said.

Locals said that gunmen kidnapped three persons last Friday which made the vigilantes mobilise, comb the bushes and rescue the three kidnapped victims.

"One of the vigilantes, Mr. Oliseneku, was shot in his stomach but due to the lack of good hospitals around, he was rushed to Asaba.

"On getting to Federal Medical Centre, they were on strike, so they had to locate any other hospital. But before any tangible services could be rendered, the man died due to extreme loss of blood," he stated.