

Again, gunmen kill 2 in Edo community

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Gunmen have again killed two persons in Okhunmwun community in Ovia North-East LGA of Edo State.

City & Crime reports that the incident brought to eight the number of casualties within 72 hours of renewed killings in the community over alleged a youth leadership tussle.

It was gathered that the latest incident happened two days after gunmen allegedly invaded the community, killing six persons, including three vigilantes.

Spokesman of the police in the state, SP Chidi Nwabuzor, who identified the latest victims as Valentine Eghaide (32), killed on Egbedion Street, and one other who was shot on the head at Peanut Junction, Sapele Road, Benin City.

Nwabuzor said some arrests were made in connection with the killings and identified one Johnson Osarenren, alias Small Baba, head of the tactical team of the Edo State Security Network, as among those in police custody.

He explained that Small Baba was being held for leading other members of his team to lay ambush in Okhunmwun community, which was not his area of jurisdiction, without authority.