Retired Teacher Abducted, Killed In Edo



Edo State Map

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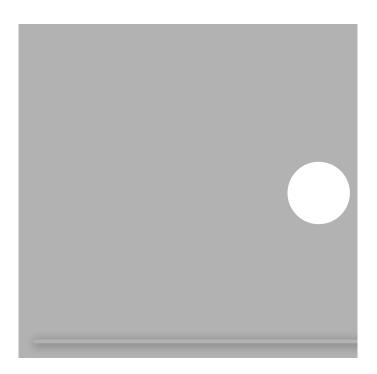






A retired teacher and farmer, Andrew Imuekheme, has been killed by people suspected to be bandits in Edo State.

The incident occurred on Tuesday in the Ikabigbo community of Uzairue Kingdom, Etsako West Local Government Area.



According to reports, the victim was returning from his farm when he was abducted and dragged into the bush.

A woman, who managed to escape from the kidnappers ran back to the community to alert vigilantes and hunters, who then organized a search party.

A community source stated that as the news spread, residents who were still on their farms were called back home to avoid being attacked.

"The late Andrew was returning home when he was taken away by the hoodlums," the source said.

The vigilantes later found his motorcycle and shoes, and his body was discovered in the evening after an extensive search.

The traditional ruler of the community, Chief Braimah Alegeh, condemned the murder of his subject.

He described his people as peace-loving and appealed to the state government and security agencies for help.

"We are predominantly farmers and peace-loving people; the government and security agents should come to our aid so that we can have peace," he said.

When contacted, the state police command's spokesperson, CSP Moses Yamu, said he was at an event and would provide a statement to Daily Trust later.

This is the third of such killing in the community.

Two years ago, a Catholic Reverend Father and a hunters' chairman were killed after the Reverend Father was kidnapped.