

Six Killed Returning From PDP Campaign

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TRAGEDY struck the campaign trail of the Benue State Peoples Democratic Party (PDP), at the weekend, as six politicians lost their lives in a ghastly road accident at Odesesa.

An eyewitness account said the campaign team was returning to Makurdi town from Ogbadibo Local Government Council at night when they were involved in the road mishap.

The deaths, reportedly, occurred when three campaign vehicles ran into some stationery cars parked at a junc-

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tion on the Enugu-Makurdi Expressway.

The multiple accident on the route also involved the Otukpo Local Government Council Chairman, Sam Odeh, who was seriously injured. He has since been taken to Abuja for medical attention.

Also, hundreds of youths from Igede protested against the political leadership of the area for failing to attract any development to the area, despite their leading positions in the state PDP.

At Ochoro, the youths blocked the deplorable

Oju-Awajir road, condemning the state deputy governor, Ogiri Ajene and Oju/Obi Representative at the House for their failure to attract democracy dividends. They displayed placards that berated the PDP leaders.

The youth leader, Ede Lawrence, said they were unhappy that their loyalty to the PDP was yet to yield dividends.

The O j u - O b i Representative in the House, Austin Adikpe, however, said the youths were sponsored by opposition parties to embarrass the PDP in the area.