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**FIVE** persons are now being **feared** **killed** in **fresh** hostilities between Efraya and Ajasor communities in Etung Local Council of Cross River State.

It was learnt that the two communities have over the years been fighting over a disputed parcel of land, resulting in the loss of several lives.

The warring communities are alleged to have trespassed into the disputed land, which is said to belong to the state government.

Some residents of the area are now taking refuge in neighbouring communities having been forced to flee their

homes as a result of the bloody dispute.

A member of the House of Assembly, Mr. Clement Okongo, expressed shock at the wanton destruction of lives and property over a parcel of land that does not belong to either the two warring communities.

Okongo, who represents Etung State Constituency in the legislature said: "The land they are laying claim to is in Government Reserved Area (GRA) and none of the communities has title deed to the disputed land."

To prevent further escalation of the **crisis**, security operatives have been deployed to the area while the state government is also reportedly making moves to peacefully resolve the dispute.

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