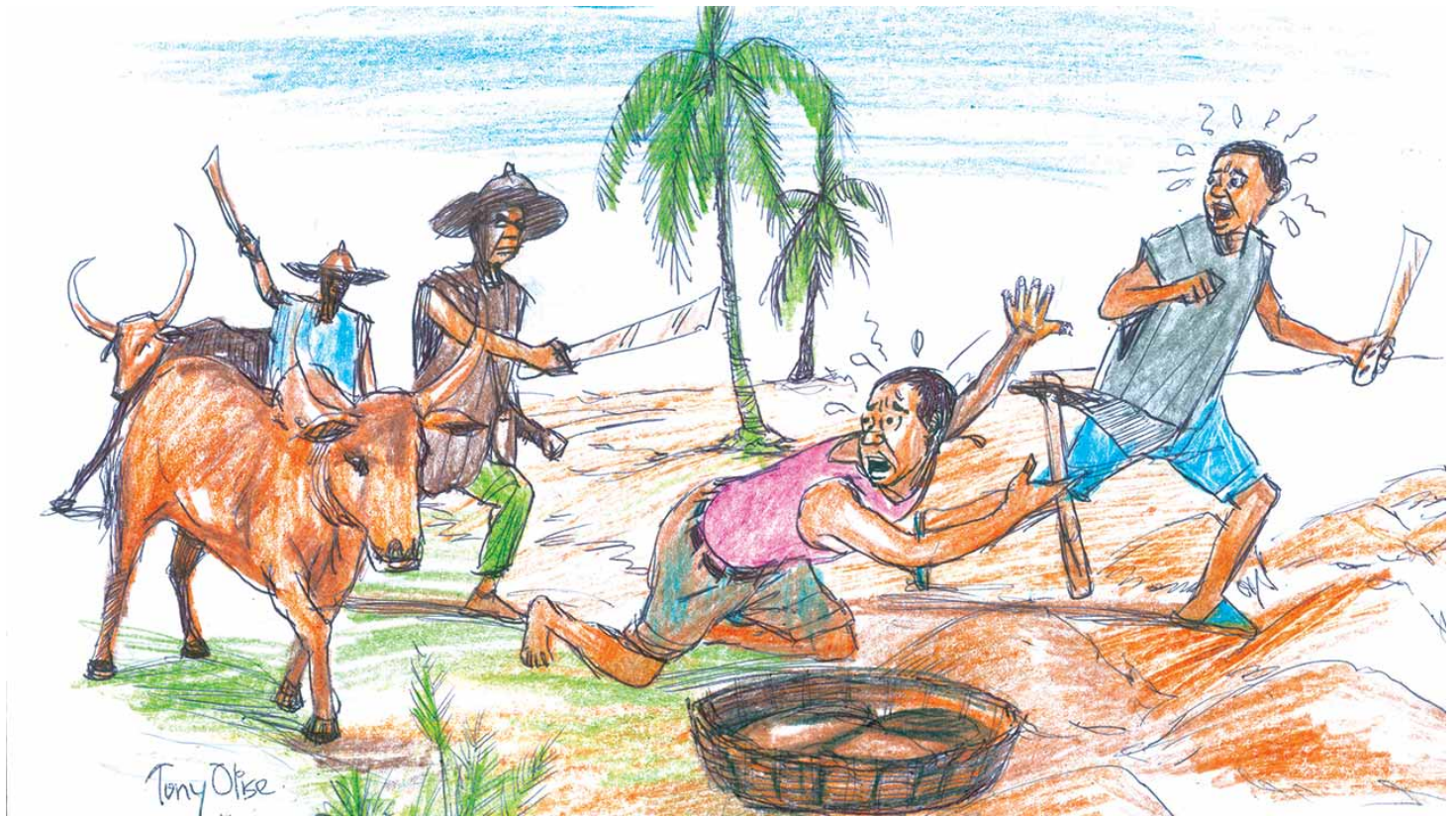


Delta residents flee over attacks by suspected cattle rustlers

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Residents of Ogwashi-Uku/Kwale communities who have their houses along that express road in Delta State have fled their homes following renewed attacks on them by suspected cattle rustlers.

While this continued to create fear, investigations revealed that a motorist whose name could not be ascertained yet, was shot yesterday morning along the Ogwashi-Uku/Kwale road as he was driving towards Asaba in a commercial vehicle with registration number AS 263XX.

He was shot by suspected cattle rustlers who were found prowling the scene when the police arrived and found them blocking the road with their cattle. The police confirmed that the victim died on his way to the hospital and disclosed that six suspects were arrested on the spot.

Motorists and residents who spoke to The Guardian said the cattle rustlers, who often are armed with sophisticated guns, rob them at will. Further investigation revealed that owners who feared the unexpected by the rampaging cattle rustlers have deserted their homes.

Meanwhile, fake beggars have taken over Nnebisi road Asaba and have continued to rip-off unsuspecting members of the public. These beggars, according to findings, are neither blind, deaf nor maimed, but pretend so as to get money.

Speaking with The Guardian, one of the beggars who gave her name as Chinonye said, iwe have to survive, no money, no husband, there is hunger everywhere.

In another development, following the murder of Chief Gilbert Osherive, the Commissioner of Police, Delta State Police Command, Zanna Ibrahim, has assured Deltans that the police under his watch will do everything possible to unravel the mysteries surrounding the death and other similar deaths in the state.