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Tension in Osun community as suspected ritualists slaughter woman

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PANDEMONIUM broke out in Modakeke, Osun State, weekend when some suspected ritualists murdered a woman and dismembered her body.

The woman, identified as 'Iya Elekuru' was murdered by yet-to-be-identified persons suspected to be ritualists in a house on Saturday.

It was gathered that the woman, 55, was lured to a house and killed while

hawking at Ogbingin area, Ile-Ife, around 10:50am on Saturday.

The head and hands of the deceased were cut and taken away by the fleeing suspects. Angered by this incident, some youths of the com-

munity stormed the building where the corpse of the woman was found and set it ablaze.

The angry youths ransacked the community in search of the fleeing suspects but to no avail. The Public Relations Offi-

cer of the State Police Command, Yemisi Opalola, confirmed the incident. She said the state's Commissioner of Police, Olawale Olokode, has opened an investigation into the case. Opalola further dis-

closed that the remains of the woman had been released to her son for burial.

She said: "The remains of the deceased was released for the victim's son for immediate burial according to Islamic rites."