

# Two Killed Over Land Dispute In Ikorodu

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Two people were sent to their early graves on Tuesday in a violent clash between two communities in Lagos.

The clash over an age-long boundary dispute was between Igbogbo town and Oreta village in Ikorodu Local Government

Area.

Violence erupted over plots of land at the boundary bordering the two communities when youths from both sides went up in arms against each other. In the process two people allegedly from Igbogbo town were murdered. Besides, a number of others from both sides were wounded.

Consequently, residents of the boisterous Oreta village have moved out in droves for fear of possible reprisal attacks from Igbogbo youths. At press time, the Igbogbo youths were spoiling for another showdown with Oreta villagers.

Corpses of the two victims, one identified as Bayo, have been taken to Igbogbo Road Divisional Police

Headquarters, Ikorodu. However, the Divisional Police Officer (DPO) in charge of Igbogbo Road Division, Samuel Alonge, a Chief Superintendent of Police, led a team of policemen to douse tension.

When contacted, the DPO said one person was killed in the clash. He traced the genesis of the crisis to a disagreement between two families, Ogunmade from

Igbogbo town and Kosolu from Oreta village, who were fighting over an inherited plot of land but which was sold by one of the parties. But prior to the incident, a meeting was called to broker truce between the two families.

Alonge disclosed that the police have made a number of arrests in connection with the conflict.