

Peremabiri Fresh War Claims Two Youths

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Chieftaincy dispute in the coastal community of Peremabiri, Southern Ijaw Local Government, Bayelsa State, has led to the death of two persons.

Besides, the area has been deserted by many its residents.

The deceased persons are locally called Wisdom and Fineboy.

Cause of the lingering crisis may not be unconnected with the recent payment of oil royalties by Nigeria Agip Oil Company (NAOC), which has been operating in the area for over 35 years, to the community.

Meanwhile, the refugees from the area including its deposed paramount ruler, King Ngozi Otokolo, has been squatting with friends and relations in Igbomotoru, Yenagoa, Port Harcourt among others, as a faction of the community's youths have laid siege in the area.

Trouble started in the area, when its monarch was dethroned by a faction of the youth body loyal to some influential chiefs.

Ever since peace has eluded the community as both factions of the youth body have been at each other's throat over who becomes the paramount ruler of the community.