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Printing institute floats training centre By Anthonia Soyingbe

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CHARTERED Institute of Professional Printers of Nigeria (CIP-PON) is building a N30 million practical training centre to offer practical print training programmes.

Expected beneficiaries are those already in the printing business who desire to be re-certified as professional printers and prospective school leavers who want to embrace printing as a profession.

In his speech at the third edition of presentation of certificates and licenses to registered printers and licensed printing houses in Lagos, President of CIPPON, Wahab Aderemi Muhammed-Lawal, called on stakeholders to support the institute's quest for the practical training centre.

He said the centre would also enable printing students in the

One killed as Omisore, Onigbogi's supporters clash at PDP parley

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FIGHTING broke out between two factions of the ruling Peoples Democratic Party (PDP) in Osun State on Tuesday claiming one life and leaving several others severely injured.

The clash occurred at Ward 09 of Irojo in Ilesa East Local Government area of the state during a political gathering in the ancient town

It was between supporters of Iyiola Omisore and those of Gbenga Onigbogi, a member of the House of Representatives.

Trouble reportedly started

when some people believed to be hired political thugs stormed venue of the meeting, armed with dangerous weapons.

The suspected thugs were alleged to have unleashed terror on those present at the meeting.

During the melee that followed, one person was shot dead while three others were rushed to the Obafemi Awolowo University Teaching Hospital (OAUTHC), Ile-Ife, following gunshot wounds they received during the fracas.

They are now on danger list at the hospital.

The name of the dead victim was given as Sevi Aderibigbe.

One of the victims on danger list in the hospital is Segun Aluko

but the names of the others were unknown at press time.

The violent clash was said to be a result of alleged attempt to impeach the Ilesa East Local Government Chairman of the PDP, Wale Oni, but which was stoutly resisted by his supporters.

It was alleged that armed political thugs numbering about 40 stormed the venue of the meeting to stop the planned impeachment of Oni who is believed to be working for the governorship ambition of Iviola Omisore in the state.

Omisore, a former deputy governor of the state, is presently a Senator.

The dead man, Aderibigbe, was believed to be having sym-

pathy for another governorship aspirant, Gbenga Onigbogi, a member of the House of Representatives.

The council's PDP chairman, Oni, was said to have been accused of working against 'Ijesa Agenda', Onigbogi's platform for the governorship race.

The party's leadership was alleged to have been bought over by Omisore to further his governorship ambition.

When contacted, Oni denied having a hand in the killing of Aderibigbe, saying "political thugs sponsored by Onigbogi's camp to perfect his (Oni) impeachment was over-powered by members of the party who at-

tended the meeting".

Oni accused Onigbogi of planning to get rid of him because he did not support his candidature for the 2011 poll.

Onigbogi, on the other hand, denied the allegation.

When contacted, Director of Publicity of the Peoples Democratic Party (PDP), Adeolu Adeyemo, denied knowledge of the incident.

State Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO), Akinola Clement, also said the matter has not been reported to the police command.

State Police Commissioner, Solomon Olusegun, also denied knowledge of the incident.