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Nigeria: Two Killed as PDP, DPP Supporters Clash in Warri

Harris-Onkon Emmanuel

24 March 2011

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Warri — Electoral violence erupted in Edjebah community in Warri South Council on Thursday as supporters of Peoples Democratic Party (PDP) and Democratic Peoples Party (DPP), clashed leaving two persons dead.

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Several others, mainly supporters of DPP, were severely wounded even as their campaign vehicles were damaged beyond repairs.

Eyewitnesses had it that shops and business outfits allegedly belonging to DPP faithful were destroyed and goods worth several millions of naira were carted away.

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Trouble was said to have started when supporters of Vincent Okudolor, a DPP House of Assembly for Warri South Constituency II, stormed the community to hold a rally.

According to eyewitnesses, dangerous weapons were freely used on the DPP supporters who never anticipated a fracas from the DPP youths.

Some of the DPP supporters were allegedly dragged out from their

vehicles and beaten with clubs, cudgels, machetes, among other dangerous weapons.

Economic activities were paralysed and motorists stayed off the streets even as residents scampered into their homes for safety.

A police team from B Division, which arrived the scene, could not contained the rampaging youths and they had to call for more enforcement before the violent clash could be brought to control.

Police Public Relations Officer, Charles Muka, an Assistant Superintendent of Police, confirmed the incident, blaming the DPP candidate for going to the community to campaign without police's permission.

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