

# Tension In Modakeke/Ife As Unknown Assailants Kill Six Farmers

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Tension has gripped residents of Ile-Ife and Modakeke in Osun State following the killing of six persons at Toro Village.

Toro village is located at the border between Ile Ife and Modakeke in Ife East Local Government of the state.

It was reliably gathered that the victims were farmers and the incident occurred at the wee hours of Friday.

Security operatives were immediately drafted to the area to maintain law and order while corpses of the victims were taken away by the police for further actions.

The incident has raised tension in both ancient communities forcing youths from Modakeke to stage protests to the palace of Ooni, Oba Adeyeye Ogunwusi to lodge formal complaints on the matter.

All roads leading to Ile Ife were blocked and taken over by the youths.

The Ooni of Ife, Oba Adeyeye Enitan Ogunwusi was out of the town for a coronation programme in Warri when the youths arrived his palace.

Confirming the incident, the Public Relations Officer of the Police in the State, Mrs Yemisi Opalola, said policemen have been deployed to the two towns to forestall breakdown of law and order.

Opalola said information as to what led to the death of the deceased was still scanty appealing to the indigenes of Ife and Modakeke to calm their nerves.

As at the time of filing this report, the state Commissioner of Police, Mr Olawale Olokode has visited the scene while normalcy has partially returned to the communities based on the intervention of Ooni from where he had gone to.