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## Crime: Bullet-riddled Corpse Found In Benin

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There was pandemonium among residents of Ugor, at the Government Reservation Area of Benin City, the Edo state Capital following the discovery of the lifeless body of middle aged man, whose identity remained unknown at the time of filing in this report.

Both hands and legs of the lifeless body were tied with rope and was said to have been dumped at night by his assailants with some white substances oozing out of his mouth.

A resident who craved anonymity said that the incident may not be unconnected with renewed war among rival cult gangs in the state.

It would be recalled that in the last few months, no fewer than 20 persons were reportedly killed within and outside the state a cult- related war which created panic in the state.

Edo state Police image maker, DSP Noble Owoh, who confirmed the incident, said investigation into the matter had commenced.

The body of the unidentified man had been taken to an undisclosed mortuary by men of the state police command.

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