

The deputy governor stated this on behalf of his principal, Umaru Tanko

duce three delegates each from the local government, areas proved the par-

Electoral Commission (INEC) who

to belong to.

## Cult Clashes Claim 30 In Ilorin – IEDPU

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The Ilorin Emirate Descendants Progressive Union (IEDPU)-an umbrella body of all socio-cultural organisations in Ilorin, has said that 30 lives were lost to cultists clashes in Ilorin, Kwara state in the past six months.

The president of the union, Alh AbdulHamid Adi made the startling revela-

tion at a security summit in Ilorin. Senior police officers were in attendance.

Adi lamented that innocent residents were part of those killed in cult clashes, especially in the downtown Ilorin.

As a remedy, the IEDPU chairman asked members of various communities in the Emirate to expose suspected secret cult members in their areas.

He also asked the communities to name those involved in sales of liquor in prohibited areas and those involved in smoking of cannabis sativa and other prohibited substances as step towards the eradication of cultism and other social vices in the metropolis.

Adi, expressed sadness that Ilorin Emirate which was hitherto known for peace and harmony has been turned

into theatre of war.

"Level of criminality is getting worrisome within the metropolis. In the last 6 months more than 30 lives were wasted by cultist.

"Notorious areas include Agbo-Oba, Gada, Edun, Gambari, and Ajikobi. The latest cult clashes about two weeks ago were at Okesuna, Stadium etc," he said.