

One killed in Sagamu clash

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AS the world marked Valentine Day yesterday when new relationship began, old ones renewed with fresh embers of love and broken ones mended with exchange of love gifts, soothing poems, notes, songs and items.

But for the people of Sabo, Sagamu, Ogun State, the day was bloody as members of anti-pipelines vandalism team clashed with a vigilance group yesterday in Sagamu.

A 28-year old Jamiu Bello, was feared dead and his remains deposited at Olabisi Onabanjo Teaching Hospital (OOUTH), Sagamu while scores of others were seriously injured in the clash that lasted more than four hours.

Also, Sabo police station was set ablaze. vehicles parked in front of the station were vandalised. A pick-up vehicle with Ogun State registration number, AP214SGM belonging to the anti-pipelines vandalism team was destroyed by the town's Vigilance Group, according to an eyewitness.

No fewer than 10 vehicles were also vandalised in several locations during the riot.

When *The Nation* got to the town by noon yesterday, burnt tyres and broken glasses littered the major roads and streets such as Akarigbo, Ijoku and Agura areas even as residents and others doing business there fled the areas.

About 100 policemen drafted to restore order.