

# Four killed in Edo communal land clash

**F**OUR person were feared killed in a renewed clash between the Ewan and Akoko-Edo communities in Edo State.

Several houses were also torched during the clash which has been raging since Sunday.

The state House of Assembly yesterday condemned the clash and urged the Commissioner of Police, Mr. Hassana Bala, to deploy his men to the area.

A member, Anselm Agbabi representing Akoko-Edo constituency 1, had told the House that lives were lost and properties burnt in fighting that erupted between Ewan and Akuku communities.

Reports from the area said those killed were apprehended on their way back to their village from Joe Works, a quarry site, in Igarra and killed by their assailants. Reports also had it that one of them was taken to Igarra market

From John Mayaki,  
Benin

square and burnt to death.

Agbabi urged the government to set up a committee to visit the area with a view to ascertaining the cause of the crisis.

He said that the House standing Committee should visit the two warring communities and report back within one week on its findings. The lawmaker also called on the police to draft men to the troubled communities to restore order.

The Speaker, Zakawanu Garuba asked the House committee chairman to investigate the matter and turns its report within one week.

Agbabi, who said the crisis was over land, asked the House to join him condemn the breakdown of law and order in the communities and urged the government to find a lasting solution to the communal clash.