

One killed, others injured in communal clash

ONE person was feared killed and no fewer than 100 houses were razed in Ezzillo, Ezza communal clash at the weekend.

It was learnt that more than 50 persons escaped with machete cuts while market stalls and goods worth mil-

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lions of naira where burnt in the crisis that lasted several hours.

Our correspondent who visited the scene of the incident saw policemen and a detachment of the Nigerian Army drafted to the area to restore peace.

Sources said the crisis started when Ezza people, who are the settlers in the area, prevented an Ezzillo indigene from erecting a structure.

This led to a clash in which two motorcycles were burnt.

The Chairman, Ishielu Local Government Area Mr. Onwa Ali, confirmed that one person from Ezzillo has been confirmed dead and several others where injured.

Many people who fled the area are taking refuge at the police station, Ezzillo while youth corps members serving in the area have been moves to the Military Cantonment, Nkwagu for safety.

The Police Public Relations Officer ASP Nudan Fredrick said a contingent of riot policemen had been drafted to the area to maintain law and order.

