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There was crisis in Mosogar community in Ethiope West Local Government Area of Delta State on Monday as armed youths engaged in a bloody supremacy tussle.

It was learnt that the bodies of victims have been recovered from the Mosogar River.

Several houses, including that of a factional chairman, were razed by the irate youths.

Monday's carnage was the latest in a series of violent clashes between various youth factions allegedly sponsored by top traditional titleholders in the town.

At the tow<u>n</u> yesterday, sources said scores of women, men and children were being treated at the Central Hospital in Sapele Local Government Area.

Thousands fled the town for safe havens in neighbouring Sapele, Jesse and Oghara, among others.

Sources said the latest crisis started a few days after warring factions were reconciled by the President-General of the community, Chief Joe Omene, the Ejorhofo of Mosogar and the Council Chairman, Dr Wilson Omene.

A source said: "Violence was ignited again when the remains of a member of one faction was found in the river.

"The members of that faction immediately abandoned the peace accord and launched a reprisal attack."

Omene confirmed the incident and called for peace.

"All I am crying for now is peace. Mosogar is now a war zone and as you can see; our people are fleeing the community for fear of death. This is unimaginable," he said.

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This entire battle is caused by just one power thirsty personality known as <u>Ighoyota Amori</u>... the government should hold him responsible for the violence in the community as he is the originator of it all.



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