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The scene of the **protest**...yesterday

There was tension in Igede-Ekiti, headquarters of Irepodun/Ifelodun Local Government of **Ekiti** State yesterday following a **protest** by youths **over** the mysterious **killing** of a **woman**, Mrs. Taiwo Oluwole, by unknown persons.

The Onigede of Igede **Ekiti**, Oba James Aladesuru and members of his Council were held hostage for several hours by the protesters.

The deceased is the wife of the Pastor in charge of the Zion Baptist Church in Age Quarters in the community. She was believed to have either been raped to death or

killed by ritualists, at Ule-Ona, a farmstead of the town, on Saturday.

The Nation learnt that the deceased 's husband raised the alarm on Saturday evening that he couldn't find his wife, who accompanied him to the farm in the morning several hours after he had returned home.

The rampaging youths defied police order and stormed the palace in their hundreds. They threatened to raze down the palace if the monarch refused to allow them in.

The police had a hectic day controlling the protesters who blocked all access roads in the town.

They called on the elders to fish out those behind the **killing**.

The protesters made bonfires and chanted war songs around the town. They closed down the popular Oja Oba Market located in-front of the Palace of Onigede and other adjoining shops.

To prevent the escalation of the crisis, policemen led by the Divisional Police Officer (DPO), Mr Raheem Adejumo

(CSP), beefed up security round the palace.

One of the protesters, Mr Ayo Akintola, said he was a member of the search team that recovered the body of the deceased in the farm on Sunday. He said her body was intact, without mutilation.

Akintola said he only noticed a blood stain in the deceased's private part, which he said was an indication that she must have been raped.

Oba Aladesuru said he had met with his chiefs to ensure that the Police got to the root of the matter. He described the action of the youths as unwarranted.

The Public Relations Officer of the State Police Command, Mr Jimoh Mohammed, confirmed the death of the **woman**.

Jimoh, an Assistant Superintendent of Police (ASP), said the command had not received a comprehensive report on the death.

He promised that the Police would investigate the matter and bring those behind the heinous crime to book.

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