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The Edo State House of Assembly has ordered its committees on Security and Lands to probe the intra-communal clash in which two people died and property destroyed at Ogheghe Nikhwa village in Uhunmwode Local Government. Ogheghe village is now a ghost town after residents fled the village, following an atttack by hoodlums, who shot sporadically last Thursday and Friday. The matter was raised during plenary by the lawmaker representing the constituency, Ms. Elisabeth Ativie.

Ms. Ativie told the lawmakers that the community has been embroiled in crisis, which, she noted, arose from the feud between the Ohen and the Odionwere of the community over control of lands.

She said members of the community are now staying in neighbouring villages and farms and urged the Assembly to help restore peace to the community. The lawmaker canvassed for the construction of a police post with adequate manpower to maintain law and order in the community.

The committees were given two weeks to submit their report.

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