

relocate them.

The millers were asked to relocate to three new mills in the senatorial zones.

They sued government at the State High Court and revolutionalise rice produc-

"We also petitioned the Senate. We are genuine farmers involved in rice production."

He said traders from La-

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• Members of the Joint Action Front (JAF) at a rally over the fate of unemployed Nigerians in Lagos...yesterday. PHOTO: ISAAC AYODELE

Ex-Ebonyi official found dead in forest

THE former Coordinator of Okposi Development Centre in Ohaozara Local Government Area of Ebonyi State, Mr. Ihebunandu Okorie, who was kidnapped five days ago, was yesterday reported to have been killed by his abductors in Afikpo South Local Government.

From Ogochukwu Anioke, Abakaliki

It was learnt he was shot in the chest by the kidnappers after collecting a ransom.

The victim was kidnapped inside the Reformed Presbyterian Church, Obioha Okposi about 1 p.m. after service.

The gunmen waited for him on the premises and whisked him away in his car, a Toyota 4runner Sport Utility Vehicle (SUV): NCA 94 AA.

The kidnappers came in a green Mercedes Benz 230: BS 559 KJA.

The deceased's car was burnt and abandoned at

Afikpo North Local Government.

Sources said a combined team of Military, Police and State Security Service (SSS) found the body.

"A suspected leader of the kidnappers has been arrested by law enforcement agents," they said.

A source close to the fam-

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