

## Gunmen kill eight in Port Harcourt



Suspected gunmen have killed eight people in Port Harcourt, the Rivers State capital.

The attacks occurred a few days after suspected cult members killed 15 persons at Egi communities in Ogba/Egbema Ndoni Local Government.

Three persons were also killed in Khana Local Government. One of the cult members in the council was beaded and the head was taken away.

A source said the gunmen opened fire at two drinking joints on the ever-busy Aggrey Road in the old Port Harcourt Township, popularly called Town.

It was learnt that the hoodlums first stormed a popular drinking joint- Love Garden, where they killed four persons, including a middle-aged woman, on Monday night, while the other four people were shot dead at Bimo Bar, the same night.

The source said many people, including passersby, were hit by stray bullets, while others sustained injuries while scampering for safety.

They were being treated in hospitals in Port Harcourt at press time.

Policemen from the Rivers Command reportedly moved the bodies to the morgue of an undisclosed hospital in Port Harcourt.

The deputy police spokesperson, Grace Iringe-Koko, said the shootings involved two rival cult groups, adding that the command had begun investigations.

Police Commissioner Tunde Ogunsakin warned criminals to desist or face the wrath of the law.