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Disquiet in Delta over murder of youth

HERE was disquiet yesterday in Ekpan in Uvwie Local Government Area of Delta State, following the killing of a youth leader, Abraham Edesiri Olomu, by assailants.

His murder led to the suspension of the inauguration of officials of the Ekpan Community Trust, of which Olomu was the financial secretary-elect.

The ceremony was terminated when angry gunwielding youths besieged the From Bolaji Ogundele, Warri

Ekpan Town Hall, shooting sporadically.

It was learnt that the killing of Olomu led to the death of another resident, Sunday Leleji, who reportedly died of shock on hearing about the death of the youth leader.

Olomu, who was to be inaugurated with other elected Ekpan Community Trust members, was reportedly attacked on his way to the ceremony.

. Community sources, who witnessed the killing, said his attackers used knife and gun on him.

The assailants were said to have stabbed and shot him. He reportedly died before he was taken to hospital.

His remains were deposited at the morgue of a private hospital in Ekpan.

Businesses were closed when the killing occurred.

The arrival of security operatives restored normalcy yesterday but the residents were scared for fear of reprisal attack.

Police spokesman Celestina Kalu, a Deputy Superintendent of Police (DSP), said the command had begun investigation into the matter.

He said: "Yes, the incident occurred and the killers escaped before police arrived. Expended shells of the ammunition used were recovered. Our crack team is on their trail to get the killers."

