

Suspected homosexual killed in Edo

• Partner on the run

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THE outlawed homosexual act has led to the death of a suspected gay lover in Benin, the Edo State capital.

Residents, especially youths, of Ojo Street and its environs at Egor Quarters were on rampage at the Aghedo family house located at 52 Ojo Street, off Uwasota Road, in search of a member of the family and suspected gay, Nosa Daniel Aghedo.

It was learnt that trouble started at the Aghedo family house when an elderly

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woman allegedly caught Nosa and his suspected gay lover, identified as Stafford Ariri, at 1pm on March 28 when most adults were at the polling centres for the presidential and National Assembly elections.

An eyewitness said the woman raised the alarm that attracted a large crowd.

The mob attacked the gay partners by allegedly hitting

them with planks, stones and other weapons.

It was learnt that the police were called in and they reportedly watched as the crowd lynched one of the gay lovers.

Nosa reportedly escaped but Stafford did not.

He died on the way to the hospital, following the serious injuries he sustained in the attack.

Nosa's escape infuriated the mob, prompting them to

rush back to his house to ensure that he faced the same fate as Stafford.

The mob burnt down the Aghedo house as what was called the atonement for his abominable act.

Police spokesman, Stephen Onwocha, a Deputy Superintendent of Police (DSP), said the incident was reported to the command.

The spokesman said an arrest warrant had been issued for Nosa's arrest, adding that the police had begun a man-hunt for him.

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