

Calabar residents decry incessant killings

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RESIDENTS of Calabar, the Cross River State capital, now live in fear, following the incessant killings in the last few days.

At least five persons have been killed in the past week by a group of boys suspected to be cultists.

An eyewitness, who saw one of such killings at Ekon-do Street, said: "They (killers) just entered the house and shot him (their victim) in the chest and cut him severally with a machete. They confirmed him dead before they left."

Also on Jeb's Road in Calabar South, another person was killed last Sunday.

An eyewitness, who spoke in confidence, said: "They shot their victim in the chest and in the head. Then, they cut him with their machete. After they made sure he was dead, they left."

"What is even painful is that the boy they killed just recovered from an illness and just gave testimony in the church that morning of how God helped him to recover. But he was killed by those hoodlums in the evening of that same Sunday. It is really sad and the police should do more about security.

"Calabar is really becoming a dangerous place."