

Panic as parallel Ogiamien's installer is killed

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•Part of the house of Pa Michael Egbobawaye (left), one of the chiefs who installed Chief Richard Arisco Osemwengie - the self-proclaimed Ogiamien of Utantan Benin Nation, where a bus rammed into and killed him...yesterday. PHOTO: OSAGIE OTABOR

There was fear yesterday among a faction of the Ogiamien family, who supported the coronation of Richard Arisco Osemwengie as Ogiamien of Utantan Benin, Edo State.

The fear followed the killing of Pa. Michael Egbobawaye, who was among participants at the 3am coronation ceremony.

Pa Michael was allegedly killed in an accident in front of his home on Nekpennekpen Street in Oredo Local Government Area.

A bus was said to have hit him, killing him instantly.

A family member, who spoke in confidence, described the death as a mystery.

He said the family would unravel the cause of the accident, adding that other participants in Arisco's coronation were living in fear.

Arisco was installed an Ogamien, despite the fact that there is a reigning Ogamien, Osarobo Okunghae.

The reigning Okunghae was last seen in 1998 and his prolonged absence made Arisco and others to declare him missing.

Arisco was arrested and charged to court.

He has not met his bail conditions – N100,000 and two sureties in like sum.

The two sureties, the bail conditions stipulates, must be a traditional ruler and a permanent secretary in the Edo State civil service.



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