APC Congresses: Chairmanship aspirant stabbed to death

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A chairmanship aspirant in yesterday's ward congresses of the ruling All Progressives Congress (APC) in Delta State was stabbed to death moment before the exercise got under way.

Pockets of violence were also recorded in Imo State, Oyo State, Ajegunle and Isolo both in Lagos.

The Ajegunle violence claimed one life.

Killed in Delta was Jeremiah Oghoveta ,who had declared his interest to lead the party in Jeremi 3, Ughelli South ward 10.

He was knifed to death allegedly by one Tete in the heat of an argument over the hijack of electoral materials by a side involved in the process.

The Nation gathered that Oghoveta had protested over the alleged hijack of the materials.

But as he made to leave the scene after making his point, his assailant pounced on him, stabbing him on the neck

Oghoveta died on the spot while the Tete fled.

The Police Public Relations Officer of the Delta State Police Command, Andrew Aniamaka (DSP), confirmed the incident.

He said investigation into the matter was in progress and the police were on the trail of the suspect.

The APC leader in Delta State, Olorogun O'tega Emerhor, said the exercise was generally peaceful in other parts of the state.

He said APC was poised to entrench the principle of internal democracy in order to have a stronger party that could take over the state in 2019.

Leader of the party in Ovu ward, Ethiope East local government area, Chief Frank Kokori said the process went well.

Kokori who said the party is waxing stronger in the state, explained that the congresses being held across the country is a preparation awaiting the main election coming up next year 2019.

The process was also generally peaceful in Aniocha South Local Government Area was peaceful, although there were few wards where parallel congresses were held.

Former Speaker of the Delta State House of Assembly and chieftain of the APC, Mr. Victor Ochei said the congress was conducted without rancour, and praised the adoption of the option A4 adopted for the exercise.