

# Seven feared killed as uneasy calm returns to Osun communities

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There was an uneasy calm yesterday at Erin-Osun and Ilobu communities in Irepodun Local Government of Osun State.

This followed a curfew imposed by Governor Adegboyega Oyetola to restore peace after a communal clash that claimed lives and belongings last weekend.

It was gathered that some youths still attacked themselves on Sunday night despite the curfew and razed down buildings. However, there was an uneasy calm yesterday, as the warring parties were

eager to attack one another again.

Seven persons have been feared killed in the fracas.

The government and security operatives were holding a meeting with stakeholders from the two communities to broker peace at press time.

The Ilurin of Erin-Osun, Chief Olawuyi Adeleke and Otun Jagun of Ilobu, High Chief Goke Ogunsola, featuring on a radio station, Rave FM, during a talk show, 'Frank Talk', monitored by our reporter yesterday in Osogbo, said: "We will sheathe our swords if the other party does not strike."

Adeleke alleged that Ilobu people have killed four indigenes of Erin-Osun, including a commercial driver.

Ogunsola also alleged: "On February 6, Erin-Osun people attacked our people who were returning from Aro and Ara village. The injured have been admitted at the University of Osun Teaching Hospital. Three of them have died; one is in a critical condition."