

# Three die in Abia community

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Three persons have reportedly died in Ukwa West local government area of Abia State as youths of the area protest the killing of their kinsman by suspected armed ‘Fulani Herdsmen’.

Sources said that the people of the area are now living in fears over possible arrest of innocent citizens by police and other security agencies.

Some sources disclosed that the reported killing of one Israel Nwaobilor, 36 years old (a tipper driver) who hails from Umuorie community in Ukwa West LGA sparked the killing of two other persons; a wheelbarrow petty trader and a commercial motorcyclist that their identities were yet to be unraveled as they were reportedly caught in the web of a protest by youths of Umuorie community which went violent.

Nwaobilor was said to have gone to load sharp sand in his tipper to supply to one of his clients when he was reportedly abducted by some persons suspected to and found dead in the bush some days.

A source in Ukwa West that spoke anonymously with our correspondent said “I learnt that late Isreal Nwaobilor had gone to load sand in his tipper when he was abducted by some gunmen said to be fulani herdsmen.

“It was gathered that there was no official report at the police in-charge of the area over the missing of Obilor.

“His killing which happened on the 18th of June was said to have happened few weeks after a woman was kidnapped and killed by suspected fulani herdsmen.

“According to report, a search was conducted and his corpse was not found. His body was said to have been found in the bush days later by some persons who later reported the matter to the police.

“But before police could get to the scene, the youths had gone to evacuate the body of the deceased from the said location.

“The youths upon discovery of the body of the young man took his body to the street to protest his killing.