Two killed, many injured as gunmen invade Lagos community



Two people have been killed and many others injured after armed men invaded Ijegun Egba community in the Oriade Local Council Development of **Lagos State**.

The gunmen were said to have attacked the community on Monday and Tuesday from a neighbouring riverine village over a dispute that began last Thursday.

The deceased were identified as Gbenga Areagbo, 40, and one Oladapo Olukoya.

A short video seen by our correspondent showed one of the victims lying lifeless on the ground with his head smashed and bloodied.

It was gathered that the attackers carted away the body of Olukoya through the jetty to Ibasa, the nearby riverine village.

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Although the cause of the armed invasion was yet to be ascertained, sources said the gunmen started harassing and robbing locals last Thursday.

The Nation reports that land grabbing, cultism, pipeline vandalism and collection of illegal levies from miscreants were among triggers of violence in that part of the state.

A native of Ijegun Egba, Kudus Fadiku, who confirmed the incident to reporters, said the gunmen were thugs from Ibasa.

"They identified an indigene of our town, Wasiu Ademola, and they attacked him. He was seriously injured and they wanted to take him to Ibasa through the river when he lied to them that he is not from Ijegun Egba and that he is a policeman. That was when they released him."