

Haram fighter

killed in Kaduna gang fight

It was learnt that it was in the course of trying to overpower each other that the fracas broke out between the groups, resulting in the death of two persons on the spot.

The councilor, who had earlier escaped being lynched in the melee, was later cornered in the bush and killed.

Both groups had been trading blames over which was responsible for the religious crisis.

The state Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO), Lawal Abdullahi, a Deputy Superintendent of Police (DSP), confirmed the development, but added that the situation had been brought under control.

Police officer killed in gangs' fight over abattoir

Also, a police officer was killed in Kaduna on Saturday following a fight between rival gangs in Kawo and Unguwan Dosa communities of Kaduna North Local Government Area of the state, over the control of an abattoir.

The Commissioner of Police in the state, Mr. Olufemi Adenaike, con-

firmed to journalists that the body of the deceased had been deposited at the St. Gerard Catholic Hospital, Kaduna, while one of the suspects had been arrested.

About four days ago, tension in that axis of Kawo and Unguwan Dosa communities, due to activities of the rival gangs, had led to imposition of curfew on the area from 9.00 p.m. to 7.00 a.m. by the state police command.

According to a source, "the rival gangs have been terrorising residents of Kawo and Unguwan Dosa and had engaged each other in open fight to gain supremacy over the Kawo Abattoir. A gang coming from the abattoir, heading towards the Kawo market, was met by another at the popular Abattoir Road Junction and a fight broke out.

"Dangerous weapons were used at will. A resident of the area called the attention of the Kaduna State security outfit, **Operation Yaki**, to the incident and troops were sent to scene to disperse the warring parties. It was in the course of this that the police officer was said to have been hit in the chest and he bled to death."

More security operatives have been deployed to the area to maintain laws and order.

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