

Ajah: 2 killed in renewed hostility

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TWO people were, between Monday night and early Tuesday, killed in a renewed hostility between two warring factions in Ajah area of Lagos State.

Many people were reportedly injured as hoodlums of Ilaje youths and Ajah youths allegedly engaged one another over collection of tolls and levies in the area.

One of the deceased persons was identified as Oreofe Olulana, a member of the Ilaje youths, whose corpse was taken to the police station.

The clash, which started on Monday night and continued on Tuesday, also provided the hoodlums the opportunity to rob many people who were caught in the crisis.

Nigerian Tribune gathered that the renewed crisis started when youths suspected to be Ilaje settlers demanded their share in the collection of tolls and levies.

A resident of Ajah, who identified himself as Tunde, told the **Nigerian Tribune** that the arrival of policemen prevented the clash from spreading to the main town. Tunde said "it was between the Ajah boys and the Ilaje youths and they fought over who should be collecting money from traders and others.

He continued that "what we heard was that the Ilaje people attacked the Ajah youths following their refusal to allow them to share from the collection of levies.

"They said that the Ajah people were preventing them from eating and they resorted to forcefully dislodging them from the park," Tunde said.