

2 feared killed as Eyo groups clash

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TWO people were on Saturday feared killed and many others injured as two groups clashed during Eyo celebration on Lagos Island.

Members of the group from Iga Etti reportedly clashed with their counterparts from Eyo Laba around Okepopo.

It was gathered that it all started when the Etti group complained of being 'humiliated' while going to pay homage at the Iduganran palace, of the Oba of Lagos, Oba Rilwan Akiolu.

The Etti group had reportedly accused the Laba

group of being responsible for the humiliation which according to them took place in Isale Eko.

It was gathered that the Etti group mobilised themselves, returned to their base in Okepopo and waited for the Laba group.

A resident of the area who pleaded anonymity while speaking with the Sunday Tribune said "When a group of Laba Eyo masquerade got to Okepopo area, they were attacked by the Etti group."

It was gathered that the Ologode Eyo masquerade which was also parading Okepopo at the time also joined in the clash.

Two people from the Etti group were reportedly killed in the bloody clash that ensued, while many others were injured.

A police team, consisting of operatives of the RRS and policemen from the island were mobilised to the scene to restore normalcy.

There were, however, fears among residents of Okepopo that there might be more reprisal from the warring Eyo groups.

Efforts to get the reaction of the image maker in charge of the state police command, Olarinde Famous-Cole failed as calls to his mobile phone line were not answered.

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Yusuf said the event was a further demonstration of his commitment to the social, economic and infrastructural development of the federal constituency.

"For me, my passion is non-negotiable. I am not apologetic about it. At all times, I strive to explore opportunities and openings that will impact positively on my people."

"In spite of the dwindling economic fortunes of Nigeria and its attendant challenges on the citizenry, I have resolved to still fulfill my pledge to the good people of Kabba-Bunu/Ijumu Federal Constituency," he stated.