

Aftermath ban on CDA, one killed, three injured in Edo community

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THE agrarian community of Ubiaza in Ikpoba Okha Local Government Area of Edo State is sitting on the edge as elders of the community on Monday alleged that one person was reportedly killed and three others sustained gunshot injuries following resurgence of activities of the banned Community Development Association (CDA) in the locality.

Addressing newsmen in Benin City, the acting Odionwere of the community, Pa Joe Osaheni, said trouble started ever since the Oba of Benin, Ewuare II, placed a ban on the activities of the CDAs in the various communities in Benin kingdom.

Osaheni, who gave the name of the deceased as Isaac Onoriode, said his body was still lying in the morgue, while the three others were receiving treatment for gunshot wounds.

The acting Odionwere also alleged that one Osagiede Uhunmwangho (aka Crisis General), masterminded the

invasion that has led to the destruction of their property worth millions of naira.

"The elders and some of the indigenes of Ubiaza community have run away from home following the attack by the marauding gang led by Osabuohen Osagiede Uhunmwangho (aka Crisis General), orchestrated by him to invade and destroy property worth millions of naira and take over, sell and take control of the land of Ubiaza community," he alleged.

He, therefore, appealed to Governor Godwin Obaseki, the Commissioner of Police, Mr Philip Ogbadu, and the Director of Department of State Services (DSS) to come to their rescue before more lives are lost in the community.

However, responding to the allegation, Uhunmwangho said he is neither from the community nor reside there.

He said he had no knowledge of the issues being raised by members of the community, adding that they were just bent on tarnishing his hard-earned reputation.