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# Gunmen attack traditional rulers in Imo, five feared killed

## Police confirm two dead

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**A**BOUT five traditional rulers were feared killed when gunmen attacked the venue of their meeting at Nnenasa community in Njaba Local Government Area of Imo State on Monday afternoon.

A source told *Nigerian Tribune* that the traditional rulers, numbering over 20,

were at the local government headquarters at Nnenasa for the meeting when the gunmen stormed the council, shot indiscriminately as they advanced on the meeting party.

In the ensuing commotion, the source added that about five traditional rulers were shot dead on the spot, while a handful of them sustained injuries and were evacuated to a hospital in the area.

Among the monarchs

confirmed dead were the Obi 1 of Okwudor autonomous community, Eze E. Anayochukwu Durueburuo and Eze Sampson Osunwa of Ihebineowerre autonomous community.

The Imo State police command confirmed the incident to Nigerian Tribune.

The command's spokesman, Mike Abatam, however, said two of the traditional rulers were killed and declined to give further details.

## Police imposes