

## Chieftaincy crisis: Traditional ruler killed, three burnt to ashes in Ogun

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THE Alagodo of Agodo in Ewekoro Local Government Area of Ogun State, Oba Ayinde Odetola, has been assassinated by yet to be identified individuals on Monday.

Nigerian Tribune gathered that three other persons said to be friends of the deceased monarch were also burnt to ashes.

Information had it that there had been crisis over chieftaincy title of Alagodo over who occupies the seat between Ake and Owu people of Egbaland.

The late monarch it was gathered was from the Ake section of Egba while there had been crisis that an Ake person cannot administer the town mainly dominated by Owu people.

It was learnt that a brother to the late monarch was gruesomely murdered not too long ago.

Oba Odetola was reportedly killed at about 11:00am alongside his friends when they got to the town from an outing, according to a source.

One of the siblings of the late traditional ruler, who identified herself as Chief Adenike Akintade, confirmed the death of her

brother.

She said, "I had just been discharged from hospital early this morning, only to start mourning the brutal assassination of my brother by 11:00 am.

"Kabiesi called me on Saturday, urging me to reduce my activities, saying stress could contribute to my illness.

"Oba Odetola lost his younger brother to the imbroglia some months ago; the young man was butchered by the so-called hoodlums, today, Kabiesi is no more, what a world."

When contacted the Police Public Relations Officer, Ogun Command, Abimbola Oyeyemi, also confirmed the incident.

Oyeyemi, a Deputy Superintendent of Police, said the Commissioner of Police, Lanre Bankole and the Special Security Adviser to Governor Dapo Abiodun, Mr Olusola Subair were in the town for an on the spot assessment of the situation.

The PPRO stated that the whole town had been deserted at the time of the visit.

He, however, informed that the CP had directed that the homicide unit of the Criminal Investigation Department of the Police Command commenced investigation into the matter.