

# Ward congress: Two killed, several injured as PDP factional camp supporters clash in Osun

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**T**HE ward congress of the Osun State Peoples Democratic party (PDP) was on Wednesday marred by violence almost across all the 332 wards in the state. The exercise, which turned bloody in ward 14, of Iwo Local Government Area of Osun, left one person dead and several others severely injured. Similarly, in Ipetu-Ijesha of Oriade Local Government Area of the state, it was learnt that another person was killed. Eyewitness account revealed that trouble started in the afternoon

when the faction of Sunday Bisi-led State Working Committee (SWC) of the party clashed with that of the faction led by Barrister Wale Ojo over a minor disagreement.

The supporters of Bisi-led faction, which one of the gubernatorial aspirants, Senator Ademola Adeleke, belongs to and that of the Ojo, supporting another aspirant, Dr Akin Ogunbiyi, engaged each other over the matter that disturbed the whole process in ward 14, Iwo.

A source informed the *Nigerian Tribune* that the venue of the exercise turned to a theatre of war as many of the two supporters of the two factions attacked each other

with dangerous weapons such as guns, cutlasses and charms.

An eyewitness, who gave his name as Adeye, added that, in the process, one of the supporters whose camp is yet to be ascertained as at the time of filing in this report was killed.

The development, he claimed, aggravated tension at the scene as the camp that lost a member launched a reprisal before the intervention of security operatives, who restored normalcy at the troubled area in Iwo community.

Investigation in Obake of Olorunda Local Government Area of the state also revealed that

there was violent clash in the town, leading to injuries of many party members before the intervention of security agencies.

In his reaction to the development, the state Commandant, Nigeria Security and Civil Defence Corps (NSCDC), Osun State command, Emmanuel Ocheja, stated that the command in synergy with other sister agencies was on top of the situation and the normalcy had already been restored.

Speaking through the command's Public Relations Officer, Assistant Superintendent of Corps (ASC II) Atanda Olabisi, Ocheja disclosed that "it is unfortunate that the crisis that broke out amongst

factional members of a political party at ward 14, Oke Oba 1 Agberire, Iwo, led to the death of one person.

When contacted, the Osun State police command confirmed that two people were killed during the ward congress and that three people, including the leader of the thugs that caused mayhem in Iwo have been arrested.

According to the police public relations officer,

Mrs. Yemisi Opalola, Amoo, Lawal and Akande were arrested and that guns and the bus used for the operation were also recovered.

Opalola added that latest information at the disposal of the Police indicated that the second person was killed in Ipetumodu, making the number of people killed to be two, assuring that the command would get to the root of the matter.

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