

Murder of bizman in Delta: Community leaders demand justice

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DELTA State police command has said that it was still trailing the killers of a septeginarian and business man, Elder Paul Offor at Issele Azagba community in Aniocha South Local Government Area of Delta of the state, who was murdered in his office on December 3, 2024.

Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO), SP Bright Edafe, told Nigerian Tribune on Sunday that as the command was not resting on its oars in its investigation, the indigenes and other residents of Issele Azagba community should furnish the command with relevant information that would help to track down the killer

"The criminal will not call on you to come and arrest him, but people can volunteer useful information that can lead to his arrest. So, the police expect the community to provide information while investigation continues," he said.

Last week, elders and other stakeholders of the community under the aegis of Issele Azagba Development Union called for a speedy investigation by the police and other security agents in order to unravel the perpetrators of the crime.

Sir Offor, a Knight of the Catholic Church, was murdered on the night of December 3, in his office located at the busy community gate by Asaba- Benin expressway within the state capital

Addressing a press conference in the community recently, national vice

president of the union, Obi Osiagwu, expressed concern that three weeks since the community leader was killed, nothing visible appeared to have been done by the police and other security agents to bring the criminals to justice.

According to him, the community would like the Aniocha North Local Government Area authority and elected representatives at various levels from the area to take interest in the matter as no visitation has been made to the community by the authorities concerned.

"A prominent personality from this coming was murdered in a mysterious circumstances and up till now, nothing has been heard from security agents. "Nobody is asking question

"We call on the state government, the Nigeria Police Force, Department of State Security (DSS) and other security agencies to up the ante in digging into the cause of the murder, get the perpetrators arrested and punished

"The usual pomp and pagantry infused in the community during Christmas and New Year festivities is no longer there because of the shock created by the incident."

"The union on behalf of Issele Azagba people and residents is compelled to make this clarion call to the authorities, considering the obvious fact that the town is under threat, including the activities of miscreants suspected to be from some of the neighbouring communities.