



Friday, 13 May 2011  
Last Update: 01:04:38 PM GMT+0100  
(W. Central Africa Standard Time)



place your adverts here

Shine your eyes It's the real deal! **2 k/sec, no rentals** To 1 special person To activate dial \*100\*9\*1# Rule your world glo

NEWS BUSINESS POLITICS ENTERTAINMENT SPORTS EDUCATION SCIENCE ARCHIVE MORE

Punch Metro Africa World

igote Sugar ▲(N14.33) (4.98%), Inter Breweries ▲(N6.34) (4.96%), CAP ▲(N22.03) (4.95%), Ikeja Hotels ▲(N1.51) (4.86%), PZ ▲(N34.50) (4.70%), Japaul Oil ▲(N1.38) (4.54%), Niger In

## One killed, three injured as gunmen attack PDP members

By Chukwudi Akasike and Gbenga Adeniji

Tuesday, 10 May 2011

View All (2) Comment(s) Post Comment Twitter Send to friend Share

ONE person, identified as a member of the Peoples Democratic Party in Elele, Ikwerre Local Government Area of Rivers State, was shot dead by gunmen, who invaded the venue of a meeting organised by the party.

The gunmen, reportedly numbering about eight, were said to have stormed the residence of the Vice Chairman of Ikwerre Local Government Area, Mr. Chikwere Woke, on Sunday and shot sporadically with the aim of stopping the gathering.

Three other persons were said to be seriously injured in the incident, which caused pandemonium within Elele and its environs.

Those injured during the unexpected attack, which took place at about 6pm, were immediately rushed to a nearby hospital.

Though the reason for the invasion of the vice chairman's residence could not be immediately ascertained, sources said it was not unconnected with the forthcoming local government elections in the state.

A source from Ikwerre told THE PUNCH on Monday that members of the PDP, who were at the meeting, were taken unawares.

"The incident was like some of these movies we watch on television. They came in a jeep and one small car. The sound of gunshots from a member of the gang was deafening.

"Those who were at the meeting ran for their dear lives. But this morning, we learnt that one person died after being hit by a bullet," the source, who preaded anonymity, said.

The State Police Public Relations Officer, Mr. Ben Ugwuegbulam, who confirmed the incident, said the three persons, who were injured, were currently responding to treatment in the hospital.

Meanwhile, members of the Lagos State chapter of the Peoples Democratic Party, under the aegis of Coalition of PDP Neutral Members, have written President Goodluck Jonathan and the party's National Chairman, Alhaji Haliru Bello, over the crises rocking the party in the state.

The coalition, in a communiqué issued on Sunday after a meeting by its steering committee, stated that it deemed it necessary to constitute a platform, which would ensure peace, unity, progress and prevent further disintegration in the party.

Among other things, it called for the immediate proscription of all caucuses in the state chapter of the PDP, suspension of appointment until the factional members come together as one and the overhaul of the party's structure for effective repositioning.

It also resolved that a new caretaker committee should be constituted to administer the affairs of the party from the state to ward level.

Search

 Search

Punchng.com Web Search by Google



As part of our plans to encourage Nigerians to play active roles in the democratic process, PUNCH has a special section dedicated to the election experience of our readers, especially, at polling booths. Share your experience via text messages, photographs, emails, tweets and facebook posts. Send to editor@punchng.com, 08168214977, twitter.com/mobilepunch and facebook.com/pages/Mobile-Punch/3497553647



Most Read Most Commented

1. N10bn loan: Bankole owns up
2. Trouble hits Mo'Hits: Wande ...
3. Obama's grandmother threatened by Al-Qaeda
4. Speakership: S'West PDP meets, ...
5. Anti-Museveni mob stones ...
6. NYSC: Lawyer drags Jonathan, ...
7. US donates warships to Nigeria
8. Ajimobi accuses Alao-Akala of ...
9. PDP asks states to submit ...
10. Bin Laden's shadow over the United States

Go to Complete List...

1. N10bn loan: Bankole owns up
2. Anti-Museveni mob stones
3. Trouble hits Mo'Hits: Wande ...

ADVERTISEMENT

**Apprenez à Trader en Ligne**

Pack de Formation Gratuit en Français

Aucune Expérience Requise

Faites le Pas

FINE XO

Follow us on

f t YouTube

**Bin Laden's shadow over the United States**

The United States of America has not been the same since the heart-wrenching events of ...

In an interview with our correspondent, facilitator of the coalition and chiefain of the state PDP, Princess Gloria Adebajo Fraser, said the inauguration of the group ought to have come before the conduct of the general elections, but noted that it was delayed because of the intrigues, power play and scheming usually pronounced during elections.

She also said that the platform would be dismantled upon realisation of the objectives for its establishment.



#### Comments :

- This looks as if agents of CPC have carried their murdering campaign from the north down south. The Alhajis of the north have promised to make the country ungovernable for our President Elect. The entire south, especially the people of the Lower Niger should stand up against the northern murdering barbarians.

Posted by: Allen Okpoko , on Tuesday, May 10, 2011

[Report this comment](#)

- who knows may be it's the handwork of opposition party. The way things are going on in Nigeria only God can help us. Sorry to say informing the president is not the solution. The only solution is God of unity & love. Nigerians let's go back to Him

Posted by: Adebayo Olorunfemi Joel A.K.A Achiever , on Monday, May 09, 2011

[Report this comment](#)

#### Post a Comment

Post your comment:

Your name:\*

Your e-mail address: \*  
(Won't be published)

Comment [not more than 500 characters]:

0% of space used up.



Enter the code shown above

#### Blog



**Musings on the World Press Freedom Day**

#### ADVERTISEMENT

**Concours Votre vie en images**  
Partagez des photos et vidéos originales pour avoir une chance de gagner ▶

intel inside  
CORE i5  
Visuellement Intelligent