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No fewer than three people were feared dead on Sunday at Agbamu in Irepodun Local Government Area of Kwara State, following a clash among members of the Oodua Peoples' Congress.

An eyewitness, who pleaded anonymity, said no fewer than six people, sustained varying degrees of injuries during the fracas. He added that the injured victims were rushed to some undisclosed private hospitals in the council, where they were receiving medical treatment.

The source said that the trouble erupted when some OPC members, who were allegedly expelled recently from the group, stormed St. Paul Anglican Primary School, Agbamu, where the 10th anniversary of the coronation of Arigbamu of Agbamu, Oba Samuel Dare, was being held, to protest their expulsion before the OPC National Coordinator, Mr. Gani Adams.

The protest was said not to have gone down well with some the state chapter of the OPC, which later snowballed into a violent clash among the OPC

members.

A policeman at Agbamu Police Post, who pleaded anonymity because he was not authorised to speak to journalists on the issue, confirmed to journalists that three people died.

He added that many victims sustained injuries during the clash.

Leader of a faction of the Odua

members of

People's Congress, Gani Adams

He said, "We never envisaged this kind of security breach; hence, we would have called for reinforcement from other neighbouring police stations. By virtues of their large numbers, they held everybody into ransom.

"I can confirm to you that three people were shot dead while several others were seriously injured. The injured

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ones have been taken to nearby private hospitals."

The Police Public Relations Officer, Kwara State Command, Mr. Ajayi Okasanmi, said he was yet to be briefed of the clash.

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