Two PDP supporters killed in Ebonyi, says party chairman

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TWO persons, believed to be the Peoples Democratic Party supporters, have been killed in Ebonyi State.

The PDP said the two supporters were killed on Sunday in Ngbo Agbaja ward in Izzi Local Government Area of the state by suspected political thugs.

The state chairman of the party, Onyekachi Nwebonyi, stated this in Abakaliki, the Ebonyi State capital.

He decried the attack and

called on security agencies to fishout the perpetrators and bring them to book.

He said the victims were ambushed by political thugs who shot at them from inside a vehicle.

He said, "I want to use this medium to condemn the wanton destruction of property and killing of innocent Ebonyians in Ebonyi state. A Few hours ago, I got a report from Izzi LGA that that eight PDP members have been shot. As I speak, two of them are dead.

"The opposition in the state is out to instigate violence in Ebonyi State so as to scare voters from coming out to vote. I warn them to desist from this act which is capable of causing unrest in the state. Let me also call on the security agencies to investigate these killings."

Our correspondent also gathered that a building was allegedly set ablaze at Izziogi, in Izzi LGA.

An international group based in South Africa, Pan-African Women Project, stated this at a press briefing in Abakaliki on Sunday.

The leader of the team, Lebogang Ugorji, said its pre-election findings showed that two political thugs were also arrested in Ikwo LGA with guns.

The police Public Relations Officer, Ebonyi State Police Command, Loveth Odah, said reports of the incidents had not been brought to her office, but maintained that he police would arrest perpetrators of violence before and during the elections in the state.