

Panic in Imo as cultists kill one

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Imo State Governor, Hope Uzodinma

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Panic has gripped residents of Egbu in Owerri after suspected cultists shot dead one person in the early hours of Monday.

The incident happened at Mechanic Garage, Ama-Wire, off Road Safety, Egbu in Owerri.

Our correspondent learnt that the killing occurred after rival cult groups had engaged in a gun duel in the Imo State capital.

The lifeless body of the victim was seen with machete wounds.

A resident, Ike Ndu, told our correspondent that they were scared when they started hearing the sound of gunshots at night.

Ndu said, “There were gunshots at Mechanic Garage, Ama-Wire, off Road Safety, Egbu, last night. This morning, we saw the lifeless body of a young man of about 23 or 25 years with several machete wounds lying at the park.”

Spokesman for the police in the state, Orlando Ikeokwu, told our correspondent that he had yet to be briefed about the incident.

He promised to get back to our correspondent, but he had yet to do so as of the time of filing this report.