

# One killed, 300 injured, curfew declared over communal clash

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Anambra State Governor Willie Obiano

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No fewer than 300 farmers were reportedly injured in a clash between Umumbo and Omor communities, in the Ayamelu Local Government Area of Anambra State.

One person was also said to have been killed, while property worth millions of naira, was destroyed during the clash.

A source in the area said 50 persons had been reported missing.

The two communities had over the years been involved in land disputes that had claimed several lives and property.

The Anambra State Government, which confirmed the latest incident on Thursday in a statement by the Commissioner for Information and Public Enlightenment, C-Don Adinuba, vowed to deal with those behind the conflict.

Adinuba said security operatives had been directed to bring those involved in the clash to justice.

The statement said, “The Anambra State Government notes with profound sadness the conflict between the people of Umumbo and their neighbours in Omor community over land ownership, which has in the last two days resulted in one confirmed fatality and the destruction of valuable assets in both places.”

He said Governor Willie Obiano had imposed an indefinite curfew on the two communities from 6pm to 6am.