

## Two killed as rival cults clash in Kwara

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Two members of rival cults lost their lives in clashes at the Okelele area of Ilorin, Kwara State, between Sunday and Tuesday.

As a result of the clashes, fear has gripped the residents of Okelele and the adjoining communities following reprisals launched by the groups.

Our correspondent gathered that members of one of the groups had on Sunday killed a middle-aged man from the other group on the premises of the Okelele Junior Secondary School, Ilorin.

On Tuesday, residents claimed that there were similar attacks in the Kankatu and Isale-Odo areas of the Okelele community, which resulted in the death of another victim.

Residents believed that the Tuesday's attack was a reprisal for the death of the man, who was killed during Sunday's clash.

It was gathered that members of the group that struck on Sunday broke an earlier agreement between the two sides that they should cease hostilities during the Ramadan.

A resident, who spoke on condition of anonymity, told our correspondent that it was the breaking of the agreement by one of the groups that resulted in the atrocities committed by the second group on Tuesday.

The resident stated that members of the two warring cults were tricycle operators.

The Police Public Relations Officer in the state, Ajayi Okasanmi, confirmed the Sunday incident, but said that he was not aware of any reprisal.