Two rival cults clash, kill 20 in Ogun

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NO fewer than 20 persons have been reportedly killed while several others sustained varying degrees of injuries during cult clashes in some parts of Ijebu-Ode, Ogun State.

Our correspondent gathered that the incidents had started two weeks ago, leaving no fewer than 20 persons, including innocent persons, dead.

A source in Ijebu-Ode told our correspondent that *Eiye* and *Aiye*confraternity were involved in the clash which subjected residents of Ijebu-Ode and its environs to a serious panic mode.

Findings have shown that the areas affected are Epe garage, Ejinrin road, Adefisan, Ibadan garage, Onirugba and Tatina, old Benin-Ondo road among others.

The source said a woman and her daughter, who were in a commercial tricycle popularly called Marwa, were shot dead during a clash.

According to the source, members of the rival cult group targeted the rider of the tricycle, who belonged to another cult group.

Also, members of the dreaded group killed an apprentice after his arm was chopped off during another clash.

Several persons were reportedly killed in Epe garage, Ejinrin road, Ibadan-garage and Adefisan during the cult clash which forced people scampering for safety.

It was further gathered that few others persons lost their lives in Onirugba, old Benin-Ondo road, Oke-Owa.

On Monday, two persons were reportedly killed behind a popular hotel in Oke-Aje.

When contacted, the Police Public Relations Officer in the state, Abimbola Oyeyemi, confirmed the incident, but denied that innocent persons were killed.

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