Suspected herdsmen kill woman returning from stream in Ogun

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Suspected herdsmen have hacked a young woman, Elizabeth Pascal, to death.

Pascal was was said to have been gruesomely murdered on Monday evening at CAC Olorunda, Moriwi community of Imeko-Afon Local Government Area.

Our correspondent gathered that Pascal had gone to the stream to fetch water for domestic use when she was murdered.

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She was said to have been attacked on her way back from the stream.

The young woman had encountered her assailants, who, it was learnt, did not hesitate before hacking her to death in cold blood.

The Eselu of Iselu, Oba Akintunde Akinyemi, confirmed the incident.

Oba Akinyemi told our correspondent that Pascal was killed by suspected Fulani herdsmen, who had continued to terrorise the Yewa axis of Ogun State.

He said, "Yes, it is true. The lady was killed today (Monday) by Fulani herdsmen around Imeko-Afon. She went to the stream and on her way coming, she met the Fulani herdsmen and they killed her. It happened around 3 o'clock, according to the report."

The Police Public Relations Officer in the state, Abimbola Oyeyemi, confirmed the incident.

Oyeyemi said the woman was an indigene of Benin Republic who was killed on her way to the stream in Imeko-Afon, Ogun State.

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The PPRO said her husband had come to claim the corpse and had taken it to Benin Republic.

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Meanwhile, the governorship candidate of the Allied Peoples Movement in the last general election in Ogun State, Adekunle Akinlade, and some Yewa groups have faulted the state government which said no indigene of the state was at the refugee camp in Benin Republic.

Akinlade and two groups, Yewa North Patroitic Forum, and Yewa Progressives Forum in separate press statements on Tuesday, said the government goofed.

Akinlade, who has returned to the All Progressives Congress, said the statement credited to the Chairman of Peace Keeping Committee, Kayode Oladele, was wrong.

In the statement signed by his media aide, Alao Azeez, he (Akinlade) described the statement as a misrepresentation of facts.

He said the committee should agree that lives had been lost while people were displaced from their ancestral homes in the wake of the violence.

The statement read in part, "Yewa land consists of various ethnic groups such as the Ketu, Anago, Awori, Eyo, Egun, Egbado, Hohori, to mention a few. Historically, they intermarry, farm, trade and transact business across our land-boarders which do not take away the fact that they are Yewa indigenes."

Also, YNPF in a statement signed by its Director of Media, Olasunkanmi Akinlotan, described the denial by the Ogun State Government as disgusting.

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Corroborating Akinlade, the YNPF President, Sogo Akinde, said, "The chairman of committee goofed by saying that Hohori and Egun that were in Benin Republic refugee camp are not Yewa. They are bonafide Yewa indigenes and that statement has confirmed that our people are still in exile."

Meanwhile, the State Governor, Dapo Abiodun, at the presentation ceremony in Abeokuta on Tuesday announced the deployment of 10 patrol vans and 20 motorcycles in the Yewa axis of the state.

The government said it was part of efforts to check the herders/farmers' crisis in the area.