

Two killed in renewed cult clash in Edo

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TWO persons were reportedly killed in a renewed cult clash between two cult groups in Benin, Edo State.

It was gathered that the rivalry between the cult groups began on Saturday following the killing of one Ogbomo by rival group.

Ogbomo was said to have been killed by a four-man gang at about 4pm along Esigie Street, 3rd Circular Road, Benin on Saturday.

It was learnt that the rival group, angered by the killing of Ogbomo, on Monday afternoon, retaliated with the killing of a commercial bus driver along 3rd

Circular road by Esigie junction.

An eyewitness, who only identified himself as Okharedia said, "Other passengers and I boarded a commercial bus from Ekiosa market to New Benin by Upper Mission junction. Half way into the journey, an Audi car overtook us and forced the driver to stop.

"The next thing the gunmen came out of the Audi car and dragged the bus driver out and shot him at closed range."

When contacted, the Edo State Police Public Relations Officer, Kotongs Bello, said he was not aware on the development as the Divisional Police Officer in charge of the area had yet to brief the command.