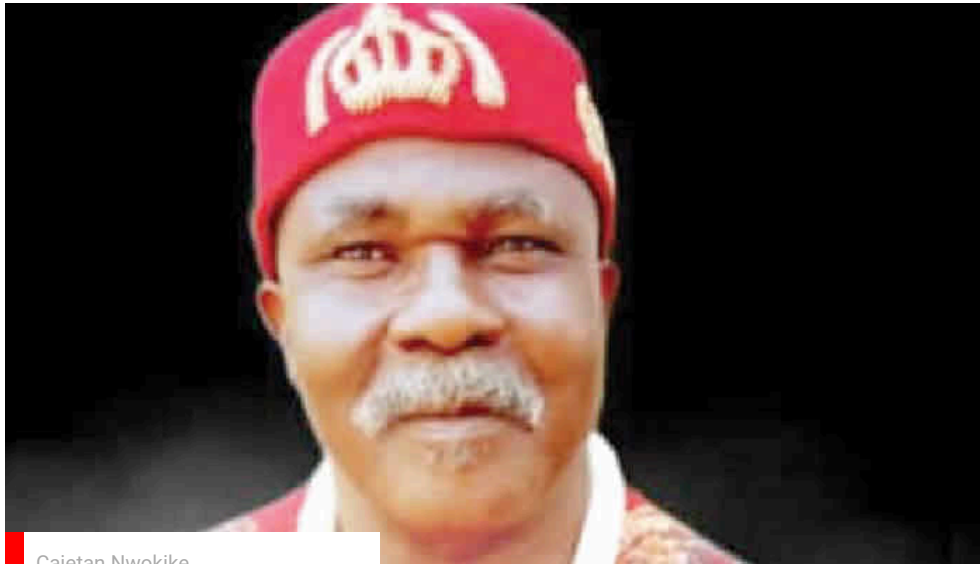




# Anambra community leader killed during prayer

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Cajetan Nwokike

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Some yet-to-be-identified assailants have reportedly killed a former President-General of the Amansea community in the Awka North Local Government Area of Anambra State, Chief Cajetan Nwokike.

City Round gathered that the incident happened on Thursday morning and the reason for the murder by the hoodlums had yet to be ascertained.

The deceased was said to be performing his traditional morning prayers of breaking the kola nut in his compound when the gun stormed the place and shot him dead.

This came barely two months after the President-General of the Umuoji community in Idemili North, Chief Silas Onyima, was killed inside his bathroom by a group of assassins.

Onyima was buried in his hometown in Umuoji, on Thursday, the same day Nwokike's killing happened.

The National President of the Association of Past Presidents-General of Anambra State, Mazi Omife Omife, confirmed the killing in a statement made available to journalists on Friday.

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Omife said the deceased was shot in the head by the gunmen.

The statement read, "The Association of Past Presidents-General of Anambra State has received the shocking news of the brutal death of one of her members, Chief Cajetan Nwokike, former PG Amansea, who was allegedly shot dead by unknown gunmen yesterday morning in his house at Amansea.

"The report said that late Cajetan Nwokike was performing his traditional morning prayer of breaking the kola nut that fateful morning when two young men entered his house and shot him point blank on the head, killing him instantly."

When contacted, the Police Public Relations Officer, SP Ikenga Tochukwu, also confirmed the incident and added that the police were already investigating the issue.

Ikenga said, "We received the report of the murder case and we visited the scene immediately. We recovered the body of the deceased and expended cartridges from the scene and also cordoned off the scene.

"We have also begun an investigation into the matter, and we are already getting some useful information that is helping us in carrying out the investigation."

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