

# Two killed in Kwara communal clash

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**T**WO people were reportedly killed while seven others were injured during a renewed clash between two villages; Ndeji and Lema communities in Lafiagi Emirate in Edu Local Government Area of Kwara State.

**PUNCH Metro** gathered that the two communities sandwiched between Gbugbu and Lafiagi, headquarters of Edu Local Government Council, are



•Kwara PPRO, Adeyemi

usually at war over land issues.

The police however said that they were on top of the situation adding that two suspects had been arrested in connection with the incident.

Sources who spoke to our correspondent on the condition of anonymity, on Thursday, said the crisis stemmed from a long-standing land dispute between the two communities.

A resident revealed that tensions escalated when a community leader was

rumoured to be planning to allocate the disputed land to the Lema community, sparking fears among the Ndeji people and leading to a violent confrontation between the two groups.

The situation escalated as both sides sought to protect their interests, resulting in heightened tensions and conflict.

"The fight started when there was a rumour flying around that the Emir of Lafiagi was plotting