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At least five persons have reportedly been killed while several others were seriously injured when three cult fraternity groups namely Eiye, Aiye and Lord clashed in Liebu-Otle in Liebu-Otle Local Government Area of Ogun State southwest Nigeria.

P.M.NEWS gathered that the clashes started last Friday when some members of Eive Confraternity were attacked and wounded at a beer joint.

An eyewitnesses told our correspondent that an Aiye

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5 Killed

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member whose identity could not be ascertained was killed at Mokorede Street, Off Italapo area in Ijebu-Ode residents of Adetisan, Mobalufon, Itanrin, Molode and Sabo areas to run for their dear lives midnight last

Saturday. Early morning on Saturday another corpse of a suspected cultist was found at Sabo area around Molode Primary School.

It was learnt that the deceased was identified as a member of

Lord Confraternity. P.M.NEWS gathered that his death angered other members of Lord Confraternity who stormed Sabo Junction area on Monday morning to avenge his killing. They were said to have gone for an okada ticketer but when he was not found, another person identified as his younger brother was killed.

Another boy identified as Yemi was also shot but he managed to escape with the gun shot

wounds.

The crises escalated to Avego area on Monday evening when one boy identified as Tope, son of an Action Congress of Nigeria, ACN, stalwart in Ijebu-Ode popularly called "Fire Fire" was killed in front of Ayegun Mosque in Ijebu-Ode.

A source who pleaded anonymity told P.M.NEWS that the boy was in the Mosque that day waiting for the last prayer, (Isheri). Some boys came and excused him out of the Mosque

and shot him dead.

"Everyone who heard the gun shots scampered for safety. But the attackers fled through Italapo road. No one could believe he belonged to any of the cult groups."

Reprisal attacks led to the eth of the persons whose bodies were discovered around Ita Ntebo and Ita Ale Market area. There were identified as members of Eiye group.

The cult members were said to be counting scores of casualties in the cult war and have promised to continue the fight until next Eid-el-Kabir (Ileva) festival.

Ogun Workers

Continued from pg. 1 the reversal of the 300 percent tax hike imposed by the Governor Ibikunle Amosun administration.

Pupils of public primary and secondary schools who reported in their schools this morning were turned back as the teachers also joined other civil servants in the strike.

Speaking with P.M. NEWS. the NLC chairman in Ogun State. Comrade Akeem Ambali alleged that his life is being threatened as he had observed strange movement of people around him since Tuesday.

Ambali said: "As I talk to you, my life is under threat. I have to go underground to safeguard my life. Yesterday I was invited by the SSS. On my way to their office, I got an information that the state Commissioner of Police has sent his boys to arrest me.

"The government is not sincere with workers. We are going through a lot of hardship in the state. We have tried several means to dialogue with government but there is no positive result. The law makers invited us to a meeting on Tuesday. We met with them but all our requests were not considered. So, the meeting ended in a deadlock. Even in Lagos, a worker on Grade Level 13 is paying less than N8,000 as tax. But in Ogun State, a Level 13 staff is paying N22.000. The tax we pay in Ogun State is more than what federal civil servants pay."
Explaining why Ogun civil

servants embarked on the seven-