

• Ogun State Governor, Ibikunle Amosun (middle); Speaker, Ogun State House of Assembly, Hon. Suraj Ishola Adekunmbi (right) and Chairman, Action Congress of Nigeria (ACN), Ogun State chapter, Alhaji Tajudeen Olaotan Bello (left), when the governor broke his fast with party leaders at the Government House, Abeokuta recently.

# Cultists kill 3 in Ogun

## ... Police arrest 80 suspects

From **MOSHOOD ADEBAYO, Abeokuta & ADE ADEYEMI, Ijebu-Ode**

**N**o fewer than three persons were on Wednesday, killed by gunmen suspected to be cultists in Ijebu-Ode, Ogun State.

The attack, which occurred in broad day at Ajegunle-Ijada and Ishado areas of the metropolis, left several others seriously injured.

Two of the victims were said to be apprentices, who met their death in their respective shops.

Investigation by *Daily Sun* revealed that the victims, identified as Lekan Ojaewele, (22) and Muiyiwa Adeyemi (20) were killed after the cultists missed their masters, who were said to be their principal targets.

While Lekan was killed on

the street at Ajegunle-Ijada, Muiyiwa was allegedly murdered in his sleep inside his master's shop located at No. 13, Ishado Street, for wearing a blue T-shirt.

Head of Ijebu-Ode vigilance group, Mr. Yemi Odukoya, said the death of the apprentices might be connected with the killing of a member of Eiye cult group by a rival group on Tuesday night.

According to him, the group that lost its member was on a revenge mission, killing members of the rival cult whom they visited at home and places of work and anyone associated with them.

Odukoya, who lamented the rampant killings said his group could not do much due to limited resources to work with.

*Daily Sun* reliably gathered that the killer group had come

for one Ezekiel, Adeyemi's boss, but the latter was killed because he wore a blue T-shirt, which is said to be one of their colours.

Meanwhile, the Ogun State Police Command yesterday said it had arrested 80 suspects in connection with the killing of the three apprentices in Ijebu-Ode.

The command's Public Relations Officer, Mr.

Muyiwa Adejobi, who made the disclosure said the combined team of security operatives affected the arrest.

The security agencies according to him included the Nigerian Army's "Operation Mesa," the State Security Service (SSS), as well as men of the State Anti-Robbery Squad (SARS) and the operatives of the state vigilance group.

He said the joint raid, which was led by the Deputy Commissioner of Police, Ahmed Abubakri, raided suspected cultists in Ijebu-Ode after which it affected the arrest of 80 suspects.

Adejobi attributed the cult clash to supremacy tussle between members of the Eiye Confraternity and Aye secret cult where three persons were killed.

## Farmer absconds as wife delivers triplets

From **MOSHOOD ADEBAYO, Abeokuta**

**W**hat ought to be a blessing for a 40-year-old farmer whose wife was delivered of triplets in Afojupa village, a suburb of Owode-Egba in Ogun State, has turned to be a source of sadness.

The father of the 'fruits of the womb,' Mr Biodun

Akapo, is on the run after the news of the delivery was broken to him.

Bose, the mother of the babies, delivered the babies penultimate Wednesday at Ore-Ofe Maternity Home within the town.

The run-away father of the triplets was said not to have been around when his wife went into labour and eventually was delivered of the set of babies.

Mrs. Akapo, (30) who told *Daily Sun* that she was assisted to the hospital on a motorcycle by a neighbour said she

strated that he is really a man with the love of the people."

"I thank God for the life of Oba Sowemimo, who assisted us greatly since we faced a lot of financial challenges, particularly after my husband ran away on hearing the news of my delivery.

"I thought he would show up before we were discharged from the hospital, but alas, as I am talking to you, he has not shown up or got in touch with me."

"It is the intervention of the traditional ruler who said the

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withheld) in the area for throw their corpses into river to feed fishes."