

at Upper Mission Road, Benin City at the weekend. With him are the Commissioner for Works, Osarojo Ogie (left), the Speaker, Uyi Igbe (2nd left) and the contractor.

2 feared killed as Amaechi, Wike's supporters clash

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There was shooting yesterday, in Bori, the traditional headquarters of Khana Local Government Area of Rivers State, as two youths were feared dead and scores wounded.

Sequel to the shooting by youths, which sources said started from 2am, police reportedly took over the venue for the Save Rivers Movement rally in Bori at about 9am. The combatants were groups loyal to Governor Chibuike Rotimi Amaechi and Education Minister, Nyesom Wike. But, it could not be ascertained whether it

was connected with the Save Rivers Movement rally that was supposed to hold in Bori yesterday.

But, unconfirmed reports claimed that two youths were reportedly killed and scores wounded yesterday, as crisis erupted at a pro-Amaechi rally in Bori. One of the victims was shot in the leg, while the other was shot in the stomach.

This was also confirmed by the Peoples Democratic Party (PDP) in the state.

In a related development, the Chief Nyesom Wike, has said that Governor Amaechi should resign.

Wike made the statement, yesterday at the thanksgiving service and inauguration

of the Degema Local Government Area and wards chapter of the Grassroots Development Initiatives (GDI) held at the Agric Field, Degema in Rivers State.

He vowed that anti-Amaechi would not rest until there was justice for Rivers people, adding that the All Progressives Congress (APC) was an enemy of the state.

Meanwhile, APC has alleged that sympathisers of President Goodluck Jonathan were pushing Nigeria to the precipice. This followed the attack of a peaceful rally in Rivers State by suspected party thugs for the second consecutive Sunday.

In a statement issued in Lagos yesterday by its Inter-

im National Publicity Secretary, Alhaji Lai Mohammed, the APC said that the hoodlums, who invaded the venue of the rally by the Save Rivers Movement (SRM) in Bori, where the executives of the pan-Rivers group in Khana Local Government Area were to be inaugurated, also beat up some of the journalists, who were invited to cover the event, damaging their vehicles and equipment in the process. It alleged that while the attack was going on, the police, who had been formally informed of the rally and were expected to provide protection, gave the hoodlums a free rein, "in the most egregious and open display of partisanship."

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