

•Anambra State Governor (front), conducting the House of Representatives Committee members on erosion, led by Uche Ekwunife (behind the governor) round erosion sites in Anambra State recently.

Overseas-bound Nigerian killed in Aba

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Gunmen believed to be hired assassins last Saturday killed a man identified as Esiaba Anyanwu in Aba, Abia State.

Anyanwu was said to have been shot dead at about 11.00pm on Eberchi Street by Umule Road, Aba on the night preceding his travel to an undisclosed country.

It was gathered that Anyanwu had visited his sister at Eberchi Street to bid her farewell before travelling out of the country.

It was while in front of the deceased's sister's house that the gunmen

emerged from nowhere and rained bullets on him.

He was said to have been rushed to a hospital immediately after the gunmen had escaped. He was later confirmed dead. His body was deposited in the mortuary of a private hospital in the city while policemen were trying to

unravel the circumstances behind his assassination.

Meanwhile, armed robbers at the weekend invaded the Federal Housing Estate (FHE) in Aba, where they robbed their victims of cash and other valuables.

The robbers were said to have fled before po-

licemen arrived at the scene.

Abia Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO), Geoffrey Ogbonna, while confirming the incident said no arrest had been made but assured that police were doing everything possible to apprehend the hoodlums.

Anambra to shut down Illegal schools

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Anambra State Ministry of Education has been ordered by the House of Assembly to shut down illegal schools in the state without further delay.

The Assembly had in a motion by Kingsley Iruba, representing Nnewi South 1 Constituency at its plenary session observed that there were many illegal primary schools in the state. Some of them, he noted, were operating in substandard structures thereby endangering

lives of pupils and staff.

He said the continued operation of the illegal schools would encourage the existence of 'special or miracle centres' as well as examination malpractice, thereby affecting the quality of learning and standard of education in the state.