

One killed in Rivers' cult clash

• Rival group vows to avenge death with 50 heads

From **Tony John**, Port Harcourt

A suspected cultist has been killed by members of a rival cult group in Ubima community in Ikwerre Local Government Area of Rivers State.

Also, it was alleged that the deceased's cult group had boasted that they would avenge his death with 50 heads. The incident, which occurred yesterday, was said to be a supremacy battle between two rival cult groups, *Degbam* and *Iceland* in Ubima community.

Ubima is the hometown of Minister of Transport, Chibuike Amaechi, and former governor, Celestine Omehia. A source from the community disclosed that over 10 suspected cultists have been killed, adding that some of the corpses were buried, while others were missing.

Similarly, a member of *Iceland*, who did not want to be mentioned, said his group would prove to the community and the state that they should not be underrated.

He said: "Recently, they have been killing our men, we are just talking about the death of Ndudiri, our enemies again killed Juju. The community should be ready, for we are going to avenge their death with 50 heads. I don't know where the heads will come from, but the victims cannot be buried without rituals."

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