

Missing hunter found dead in Delta lake

From **Paul Osuyi**, Asaba

AFTER about four days of fruitlessly combing surrounding bushes, the lifeless body of a 40-year-old hunter, Augustine Oyubu, was found in a lake at Otumara Road, Ogharefe in Ethiopia West Local Government Area of Delta State.

His corpse was said to have been found in the lake by one Dr. Israel Futighe, with no injury inflicted on him but the head and face swollen.

The deceased hunter has been missing for few days, according to his wife, Itite, before the shocking discovery.

The widow was said to have told newsmen that her husband left for his normal hunting by 6:30 pm, and that she called him at about 8:00 pm to know the state of things.

According to Mrs. Oyubu, her husband reported that he arrived his hunting destination but was dreading by the rain. She said that was the last conversation she had with her husband.

The news of the missing hunter prompted a search party which combed the said bush but their effort yielded no result for four days.

As such, a team of traditionalist, soothsayers and native doctors stormed the area for a thorough search, yet, the missing hunter was not found.

Meanwhile, sources in the community said the discovery of the dead body has set tongues wagging.

According to one of the community source, such unfortunate death was a taboo, adding the corpse would not be buried in Oghara land unless the Inotu and chief priest will liaise and perform necessary rituals and sacrifice.

At the time of filing this report, the family had liaised with the chief priest and as Oghara tradition demands, the remains of Oyubu would be buried at the place he was found since the cause of death was unknown.

Sheriff's supporters give Okowa conditions for peace

From **Paul Osuyi**, Asaba