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Cultists on rampage in Delta, kill 16 ...3 killed in community leadership crisis

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NO fewer than 16 members of different cult groups have been killed and scores others injured in the last one week, in the ongoing cult war in major cities and towns. especially in remote settlements in Delta State. Investigation by Daily Sun revealed that towns mostly affected are Udu, Enerhen, Sapèle, Ughelli, Ozoro and Oghara, where incidents of cultism are recorded daily.

Similarly, at least three persons have been reportedly killed in attacks and reprisals following an alleged leadership crisis rocking Owevwen community in Ughelli North Local Government Area of Delta State. Two youths were said

to have been killed last week by unidentified gunmen who dumped

their corpses in the bush.

In Udu Local Government Area, where cultism was reported to have reached its climax, rival cult members are said to be on the trail of one another at various drinking bars and joints perceived to be the base of their opponents to unleash terror on cult members and innocent indigenes of the

Sources close to the Udu Council of Elders, who spoke with our correspondent under anonymity, disclosed that within the last two weeks at least nine persons have been killed in attacks and reprisals between two rival cults in the area.

It was gathered that some major hotels in Udu area now play host to the groups and it is from these hotels that they plot their next strike on their opponents as well as counter-attacks that have claimed many lives and injured

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