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Hunter Kills Pastor, Injures Three Over Bush Meat



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•Police shoot 10, arrest three

A pastor, who came to settle a quarrel between a hunter and his wife at Iwewe-Ichama community, Okpokwu Local Government Area of Benue State, has been shot dead.

The pastor, identified as Ojobo, was killed by Idoko, the hunter, on Friday. Idoko also injured three people, who came to intervene in the marital squabble. Idoko was about to shoot his mother-in-law when he shot and killed the pastor.

The three other people, who were injured, also came to rescue the old woman. Trouble started after Idoko's wife cooked a bush meat he killed the previous day, even after he had warned her not to. He said that he planned to sell it to raise money.

An eyewitness said that after realising his wife had cooked the meet, Idoko got angry. The couple started quarreling and it snowballed.

The angry hunter, in a blind rage, grabbed his hunting rifle and threatened to shoot his mother-in-law for supporting her daughter. The old woman raised the alarm, attracting neighbours. The pastor was one of those that rushed to the scene.

The pastor tried to rescue the old woman from Idoko's grip, but Idoko suddenly pulled the trigger. The pastor died at the spot.

The Police Public Relations Officer (PPRP), an Assistant Superintendent of Police, Moses Yamu, said he was yet to get the report.

In another development, the police in Uyo, Akwa Ibom State, yesterday, arrested and detained three children of dead primary school teachers, who were protesting the nonpayment of gratuities and pensions of their parents.

No fewer than 10 others were injured as policemen manning the government house gate, attempted to dispel the protesters.

Among those still detained by the police at the time of filing this report, include the leaders of the group; Kenneth Enobong, Benjamin Benson and Utibe Akpan. Tear gas, gun butts were freely used to scare the protesters.

The Deputy Commissioner of Police (DCP), D.R. Abibo, ordered the use of Armoured Personnel Carrier (APC), to dispel the protesters.

Abibo said: "I told them to leave the road and stand by the side, so they could listen to me, but they disobeyed me as the Commissioner of Police. Who are they that they couldn't listen or obey a simple instruction?"

