

Again, cult war claims hairstylist's life in Delta

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A 42-year-old hair-stylist, Adams Eguvwese, has been murdered by unknown gunmen inside his barbing salon at Sapele in Delta State.

This murder of Eguvwese came after more than eight young men were killed in a reprisal by cultists in three major cities of Asaba, the state capital, Ughelli and Warri.

The killings assumed a dangerous dimension during last year's ember months as residents and shop owners in the cities had to close early for fear of being attacked by hoodlums, while night life was crippled.

The victim, Eguvwese was said to have been killed in broad daylight by a gang of four masked men suspected to be members of a cult group, who allegedly shot him at close range in his sensitive parts while sitting

in front of his salon along the New Road by Otite Road Junction in Sapele at about 12:45 p.m.

The killers were said to have ambushed the barber in a blue Toyota Corolla car, which the killers drove without a plate number.

An eyewitness, who spoke with New Telegraph, said: "Adams was sitting outside his barbing salon when the blue Corolla with a plate number came, and a man holding a shotgun approached him and shot him (Adams). He ran inside the shop, but the gunman went after him and shot him again as he tried to enter his shop before the killer entered the Corolla and drove away

"Eguvwese died while he was being rushed to the Sapele Central Hospital after he was referred to the Delta State University Teaching Hospital in Oghara."

However, his murder was linked to the raging cult war in Sapele axis of the state.