

# Two killed, 14 hospitalised in Delta cultists' clash

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**A**t least two people were killed while 14 others were injured when cult groups clashed at the Hausa Quarters in Warri South Local Government Area of Delta State.

Members of a secret club reportedly trailed their rivals to Izalla Mosque at the popular Hausa Quarters.

Residents fled during the ensuing confrontation between the two groups which claimed the lives of two people.

An indigene of the area, who identified himself simply as Oghenero, said in Warri yesterday that cult clashes had be-

come synonymous with Igbudu community in the area.

Oghenero said he escaped to Warri when the suspects, numbering 30, who were allegedly searching for members of their rival groups, suddenly invaded the Hausa Quarters with weapons, including cutlasses, battle axes and clubs.

According to him, residents ran into the mosque for safety.

He said: "They entered the mosque to attack their targets. Many people sustained injuries before the arrival of a combined team of policemen and soldiers.

Oghenero said many teenagers had fled the community, owing to their involvement in cult activities.