

Man kills 2 family members, one other in Ebonyi farm

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A man in his 40s, Chibuike Ochie has reportedly killed two of his family members and a labourer in a farmland at Uburu, Ohaozara Local Government Area of Ebonyi State.

He was said to have killed the wife of his elder brother, Ogechi Ochie 32, his own younger sister Margaret Ochie, 35 and a hired labourer working for them at Obegu farm in Uburu.

His motives are yet to be known as he is currently fighting for his life after being mobbed by youths of the community. Confirming the report, the state Police Spokesperson, DSP Loveth Odah said that investigation was ongoing.

She advised youths to stop taking laws into their hands.

She said, "It was reported that by 1640hrs of October 23, 2021, when the family of Ochie were in the farm including a hired labourer that was farming for them on that particular day, one of their brother's Chibuike Ochie went into the farm and suddenly started attacking them with a machete.

"He succeeded in hacking Ogechi Ochie 32 years old who was said to be the wife of the elder brother and the younger sister, Margaret Ochie, 35 years old and the said labourer. The three of them were hacked to death in that

farm and he escaped.

"In the process of fleeing the scene, irate youths of that area caught and mobbed him. As I'm talking to you now he is still critically sick to the extent that he is living on a life support machine.

"The investigation is still ongoing, but it will be properly ongoing when this man survives.

"That is why we keep discouraging the Youths from taken the laws into their hands, especially when a person committed of-

fense. Like this incident if they brought the person to us he would have told us the reasons he had to do this to his family members and face the law. But in this case a lot of money is being spent to revive this person.

"The incident took place at Obegu farm in Uburu. According to the D.P.O that visited the place he said the farm land is about 25km away from Uburu town."

1 killed, 2 missing, 7 shot as thugs invade Ogun community

Taiwo Jimoh

One person is feared dead, two others missing and seven sustained gunshot wounds as armed hoodlums, numbering over one hundred, allegedly invaded Igbo- Oba area of Igbesa in Ogun State.

It was learnt, however, that three persons have been arrested by policemen from Agbara Divisional Police Station, while manhunt has begun for other members of the gang.

Our correspondent gathered that the Sunday morning attack occurred less than forty eight hours after residents of the area had raised the alarm by sending a Save Our Soul message to the Inspector General of Police, Usman Baba Alkali to come to their rescue over the planned attack by hoodlums.

It was also gathered that policemen from the Special Weapon and Tactical Squad (SWAT), Abuja had some days ago, dislodged some armed hoodlums, who were on the rampage in the community.

The attack, which occurred around 2am caused serious panic around Akinwunmi and other communities around Atan - Agbara road.

One of the victims, Idris Hamzat, who was rushed to the Ota General Hospital said he was in his house and discovered that fuel was finished in his power generating set.

"I could not come out alone for fear of armed robbers, but as soon as I came out to take my generator in, there was sporadic shooting and I and some other neighbours all ran to different directions."

The victim added that, he felt a sharp pain in the middle part of his body and his thigh, but he kept running into the bush, because he could not go into the house again.

Another victim, who was also rushed to the same hospital, Oladimeji Akande said there were about one hundred of the hoodlums who were armed with sophisticated weapons terrorising the community.

"My Family thought that I was dead, because they shot me in the leg and other parts of my body. I struggled to creep into the bush. They kept shooting at me, it is God that saved me, I would have been dead by now."

A resident of the village, John Oloru Odo said the attack came less than two days after they raised the alarm that some people were planning to invade their village, but they were chased away by SWAT officers from Abuja.

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Service who in turn handed over to the Board for letters of appointment to be issued to successful applicants.

"As I'm talking to you, there is nobody in the Ministry of Education that went underground to employ anybody just to short-