

# Family cries foul as Delta PDP ward chairman dies of 'poisoning'

**A** ward chairman of the Peoples Democratic Party (PDP), in Sapele, Delta State, identified as Peter Agboghroma, popularly known as Okponughari, is dead.

It was however, gathered that some family members have been insinuating that he was poisoned at a social gathering he attended on Sunday.

The politician was said to have died on Sunday, shortly after returning from a party he was invited to by a friend.

It was gathered that when he was rushed to a private hospital in Sapele, the doctor pronounced him dead on arrival, saying he died of a heart attack.

But family members are said to have gotten the notion that he was poisoned at the party he attended earlier in the day.

Other sources claimed that he died as a result of High Blood Pressure as he was said

to be vomiting white foam known to be associated with such patients.

Meanwhile, his corpse had not been deposited in the mor-

tuary as one of his daughters reportedly said that their late father, before his demise, instructed them not to put him in the mortuary after his death.

## One feared dead as passenger bus falls into Lagos canal

**O**ne person is feared to have died yesterday when a passenger bus skidded off the road and fell into a canal at the Iyana-Oworo area of Lagos State.

Eyewitnesses say the commercial vehicle was conveying people believed to be attending a party in the area when the driver lost control on the narrow bridge leading to the sand-fill community.

Coolers and other kitchen utensils could be seen on the murky water with other personal belongings within the upturned bus.

Those present at the time of the incident said all occupants of the vehicle were reportedly rescued by

passersby

The rescue operation is said to have gone well until the passengers in the vehicle, who could not account for one of their own, raised an alarm.

On return to the accident scene, the victim—a woman—was seen unconscious, while efforts were made to resuscitate her; she was said to have eventually died at a nearby hospital. The sand-fill area within Iyana-Oworo is a community at the exit point of the 3rd mainland bridge outbound Lagos Island.

Authorities are expected to give a comprehensive brief about the incident later.