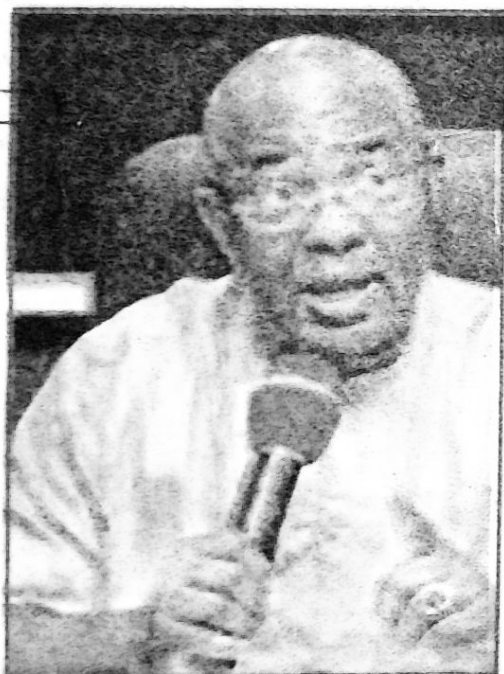


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A man identified as Kingsley Oguzie, his daughter and pregnant wife, including four other persons were found dead in mysteriously circumstances in their apartment at Obokwu community in Obinze in Owerri West Local Government Area of Imo State.

Five other persons were admitted in the emergency unit of Umuguma General hospital.

They are battling for survival over what a source disclosed as mysterious sickness.

The incident, which threw the community into confusion, saw

the victims rushed to a hospital for medical attention.

Shortly after their arrival at the Imo State Specialist Hospital, Umuguma in Owerri, seven members of the family out of the 11 victims were confirmed dead.

A source from the community, who pleaded anonymity, stated that the incident could be as a result of land dispute between the late Oguzie family and Ekegbu family from the same community.

The source said: "Late Kingsley Oguzie, said to be a driver to the Peoples Democratic Party (PDP), Senatorial candidate for Owerri zone, Uche Onyeagocha, five days ago brought deity into the land in dispute to mediate

in the lingering land dispute between the two families and last month, Kingsley lost his younger brother in an accident while Ekegbu lost his wife in an accident too.

"Currently two of Oguzie's children have been revived in a prayer house in the community"

Another family source alleged that some people suspected to be assassins broke into the roof of the late Kingsley's apartment while they were asleep and sprayed chemical suspected to be poison.

Efforts to reach the police-spokes man of the Imo State command, CSP Michael Abattam was not successful as he did not pick his calls.