MOSOP condemns killing over land dispute in Ogoni

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The Movement for the Survival of the Ogoni People (MOSOP) has condemned the gruesome murder of one Josiah B. Piabari, commander of the Boys Scout in Ogoni and native of Yeghe in Gokana local Government Area of Rivers State at a disputed farmland.

MOSOP said the land in question has been the subject of lingering conflicts between the Yeghe and Boue people in the local government for some time.

Speaking at the end of a meeting of MOSOP coordinators and chapter leaders yesterday at the national secretariat of the movement in Bori, Chairman and spokesperson for the coordinators and chapter leaders, Celestine Viura, described the killing as barbaric and charged the police to unravel the killers and three others who are still missing.

MOSOP said in a statement that; "Reports of the barbaric murder and beheading of one Mr. Josiah B. Piabari of Yeghe and three others are strongly condemnable.

"We are deeply touched by the killing and beheading of Piabari and the disappearance of some three others and we will urge the police to deliver a satisfactory report on this matter," Viura said.