

Death toll in Mogho Bodo communal clash rises to 20

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PORT HARCOURT— THE death toll in the Mogho Bodo communal clash sources said had risen to about twenty. Meanwhile, the apex body of the Ogoni, Movement for the Survival of Ogoni People, says it had stepped into the crisis to ensure peace returns to the war-torn areas.

It would be recalled that trouble broke out in the community last week when a corpse was reportedly found on a farm land in Mogho. The incident reportedly provoked killings from both sides. MOSOP president, Bar Ledum Mitee told news men that the body had stepped in to see that peace comes back to the warring areas.

His words, "We have been working to restore normalcy to the area, in fact, I have been there for the past three days and I am just returning to Port Harcourt now. We have been working with government and security agencies to make sure that calm returns to the place and as at yesterday, there had been considerable improvement in the situation".

Some community sources said since the crisis broke out in the areas they had not seen some of their relatives.