

# Four killed in rival cults clash

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**P**ORT HARCOURT—FOUR persons reportedly lost their lives in a rival cult clash at Rumuekpe on Sunday night. Detail at press time was still very sketchy but this happened barely twenty four hours after a similar incident claimed about two lives around Ogbunabali area of the state weekend.

Cult clashes have become very rampant in the state. At the last count there were speculations that the capital city alone parades about ten different cult groups battling for supremacy. Between December to date the state has lost no less than sixty able and productive youths to these clashes. In some quarters it is believed that these groups have one link or the other with top politicians scheming for political relevance at one level or the other.

On the part of the Police it could be safely concluded that it appears helpless in the ranging cult battles. Nevertheless, the security institution must be commended for being able to occasionally rise up to the challenges.