

Gunmen murder Rivers' royal father

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PORT HARCOURT—PARAMOUNT ruler Kpor community in Khana local government area of Rivers State has been murdered by unknown gunmen.

Confirming the development to the *Vanguard*, the state Commissioner of Police,

Mr. Felix Ogbaudu said the assailants had accused their victims of sponsoring cultism. He was killed in the early hours of yesterday.

Sources said the death triggered off reprisal attack from some persons which led to the death of about two others with scores injured.

Meanwhile Khana local government in recent time has

become one of the hot beds of cultism in the state. The sad development came on the heels of similar incident in Rumuolumeni area of the state where a youth leader was killed. His death resulted in clash among suspected cult groups in the area. And the situation at press time had claimed no fewer than three lives with several injured.