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LG polls: 3 PDP, LP members shot dead, others injured in Delta

Written by Emma Amaize Monday, 12 May 2008

THREE persons one, a member of the PDP and two, members of the Labour Party (LP) were shot dead at Ohwarovwon community in Ughelli North Local Government Area of Delta State while two others sustained serious injuries in a fracas between suspected thugs of both parties during weekend's local government elections in the area.

Vanguard learnt authoritatively that the bloody incident took place in Ward 17, Ughelli and the deaths threw the community into mourning.

Our source said that trouble started when the PDP candidate in the ward whose name was given as Francis Obireh and his supporters were sighted jubilating that he had been returned unopposed by the Delta State Indpendent Electoral Commission (DSIEC).

Three of the dead persons who were identified as Fredrick Omoyibo, Agrey Useh and Ayoko Ohwroro, died during a shootout.

The two injured persons identified as Joseph Okonigbe and Aboni Ureri were lying critically ill as the time of this report.

One of the deceased until his painful death was a Headmaster in one of the Primary Schools.

Efforts made to reach the Divisional police Officer in charge of Ughelli Division proved abortive as at press time. However a Senior Police Officer attached to the Division who pleaded anonymity confirmed the story and said the corpses have been deposited at the Ughelli Central Hospital Mortuary.

The Police source that spoke further, said the two injured persons were hospitalized in the same hospital, adding that some persons have been arrested in connection with the matter.

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