

# Osun Poly student dies in cult war

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**O** SOGBO—ONE student was confirmed dead while another is on danger list following a bloody clash between two cult groups at Osun State Polytechnic, Iree.

Though detail of the clash was still sketchy at press time, it was, however, gathered that the two groups, in a show of supremacy, engaged one another in a free-for-all where the two victims, who sustained serious injuries, were rushed to hospitals, where one of them was confirmed dead shortly on admission.

It was gathered that despite that the institution was on mid-semester break for the past 10 days, many students stayed back in their residences off campus.

Investigation revealed

that the cultists used the opportunity of the break to launch attack on one another.

When contacted, the State Police Commissioner, Mrs. Kalafite Adeyemi, confirmed the incident, explaining that one of the suspected cult members was still unconscious in the hospital where he was admitted while the police had taken over the corpse for autopsy.

## Woman, 8 others docked over kidnap, murder of Ife prince

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**A** KURE—A woman and eight others have been docked for alleged kidnap and killing of the former managing director of Ore-Irele Oil Palm Plc, Prince Richard Awofisayo.

The accused persons are Mrs. Funmi Afolabi,

Adeyemi added that: "The police have since intervened in the matter and five persons have been arrested by the security operatives in connection with the matter and they have given the police useful information on the matter."

Meanwhile, the authorities of the institution declared that it had handed over two students of the institution allegedly involved in the

fracas to the police.

In a statement, the Media Relations Officer of the school, Mr. Tope Abiola, said the suspected cultists inflicted severe injuries on some students outside the campus specifically at Eynade area, Ikirun Road.

The authorities, while condemning the act, urged the police to intensify their investigation to bring the culprits to justice.

Oluwatobi Omobamijo, Afolabi Oladipupo, Victor Okoro, Adesulimo Sesan, Alonge Kayode, Kehinde Olanoye, Akinola Ojoele and Ismaila Bakare.

They, however, pleaded not guilty to the offence preferred against them.

The accused persons were also charged with

Omokolajo, personal assistant to the late Awofisayo and Prince Albert Awofisayo, the brother of the deceased.

Omobamijo, one of the accused, in his statement, admitted that four of them agreed to kill Awofisayo and burnt his corpse to cover any evidence that could link