

Two students of Fidei Polytechnic killed in cult violence

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TWO students of Fidei Polytechnic, Gboko have been confirmed dead in a cult related crisis that engulfed the institution yesterday.

The death occurred against the backdrop of reports that the Benue State Police Command recovered a box full of AK 47 live ammunition from four suspects who were hauling the arms to the crisis torn Eggon and Alaago communities of Nasarawa State.

• Four suspects arrested

Briefing newsmen yesterday on the two incidents, the Deputy Police Public Relations Officer for Benue State, ASP Ejike Alaribe said the police in Gboko last night received a report that two suspected cultists had at 8pm stormed the home of two students of Fidei Polytechnic and shot one of them whose name was given as Akawa on the neck, thus killing him instantly. Alaribe noted that Akawa died before he could

receive medical attention, adding that when the news of his death filtered into the institution, students mobilized themselves and went after the assailants.

According to him, "They caught up with the two suspects who were identified as being responsible for the shooting, matcheted one of them to death but the police arrived the scene before they meted out jungle justice on the other".