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10 killed in Delta as villagers, herdsman clash

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ASABA— NO fewer than 10 persons have been reportedly killed following a bloody clash between villagers in Ogume community, Ndokwa West Local Government Area of Delta State and herdsman who were challenged by the villagers for allowing their cattle to vandalise farmlands in the area.

There is growing tension in the community following the clash which commenced on Saturday evening. Both warring parties were still at daggers-drawn at press time, although security has been beefed up in the area

A community leader and human rights activist from the community lamented the late arrival of security agents, saying: “My community was invaded by Hausa herdsman using AK 47 rifles and six people were killed while three persons still missing are believed to have been killed too. The most painful aspect was that all efforts to make the police to come to our rescue were abortive.”

Contacted, the state Police Public Relations Officer, PPRO, Mr. Lucky Uyabeme, confirmed the story, saying: “I have got in touch with the DPO in charge of the area and 10 bodies have been confirmed recovered. Investigations are on.”

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