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Pregnant woman, student killed in Abeokuta cult clash

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ABEOKUTA — Tragedy struck, yesterday, in Onikolobo area of Abeokuta when youths suspected to be members of a secret cult unleashed terror on residents of the area, killing two persons.

Those who lost their lives, according to an eyewitness, include a pregnant woman said to be a passer-by, and a student of a polytechnic in Abeokuta.

Vanguard gathered that several others sustained injuries when members of the secret cult invaded Onikolobo, combing houses in search of their targets.

It was further gathered that members of a particular secret cult had been involved in a brawl with members of the outlawed Oodua Peoples Congress, OPC, a few days before the recent attack.

They allegedly made use of dangerous weapons, which include guns, cutlasses and broken bottles, among others. It took the intervention of officials of the Vigilante Services of Ogun State, VSO, before the rampaging cultists were dispersed.

When our correspondent visited the scene, armed policemen from the Adigbe Divisional Headquarters were maintaining order in the area.

When contacted, the state Police Public Relations Officer, Muyiwa Adejobi, said policemen from Adigbe divisional headquarters raided the suspected hideout of the cultists where seven of the suspects were apprehended while smoking Indian hemp.

Adejobi, who said the arrested suspects were already in police custody at Adigbe divisional police station, noted that the raid carried out was one of the routine raids in the command and that the place where the seven suspects were arrested was one of the hot spots of criminals in the state.

He added that those arrested would be thoroughly interrogated to determine their culpability in the case, adding that the innocent ones would be freed afterward, while those found culpable would be charged to court accordingly.

Also, the Public Relations Officer of the VSO, Soji Gansalo, confirmed the incident but stressed that only one person was confirmed dead already.

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