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Suspected cultists kill Bayelsa Assembly Deputy Clerk, one other

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Yenagoa—At least two persons, including the Deputy Clerk of Bayelsa State House of Assembly, Mr. Nemine Geoffery, have been confirmed dead in cult-related attacks in Bayelsa and Delta states.

While the Deputy Clerk of Bayesla House was killed at Agudama, on the outskirts of Yenagoa on Sunday night, one person, identified as Fancy Anderson, was yesterday confirmed dead in the aftermath of a raid by a combined team of local vigilantes from Ughelli and other surrounding communities on a suspected cultists den in a forest at Ofuoma in Ughelli North Local Government Area of Delta State.

The killing of Geoffery occurred at about 7.50pm in Agudama, which is also host to the South South campus of the Nigerian Law School.

Vanguard learned that the deceased, in his late 50s, an indigene of Ekeremor town in Ekeremor Local Government Area, was shot at close range in the presence of his wife.

There were conflicting accounts of the tragic incident. While the police version said the deceased was hit by a stray bullet, following a violent clash between two rival cult groups, another account had it that armed men, numbering about 30, invaded the deceased wife's store located in front of his house, where she sells recharge cards.

The armed men were said to have dispossessed the woman of cash from the day's sale and were already leaving the scene when she raised alarm, an action said to have angered the invaders, who came back and shot the husband who was sitting nearby at close range.

Though a suspect had been arrested in connection with the killing, a security source told *Vanguard* that the police have launched a manhunt for the fleeing hoodlums, with a view to bringing them to justice.

Contacted, the state Police Command spokesman confirmed the incident, assuring that the suspects would be apprehended soon.