

Cult war: Cultists invade Rivers community, kill 4, sack residents

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PORT HARCOURT—No fewer than four persons are feared dead as cultists clashed over supremacy in Rumuodogo 1 community, Emohua Local Government Area of Rivers State.

Suspected Deygbam boys, one of the cults, yesterday morning invaded the community in a reprisal attack over the killing of two of its members by the Icelanders cult group on Sunday.

The development, which created tension in the area, has sent the entire residents of the community scampering for safety.

Vanguard gathered that the unrest started when members of Icelander cult group came into the community and killed two Deygbam boys.

Mr. Ikechi, a resident of the community, who spoke to *Vanguard*, disclosed that the Deygbam boys sent a message that they would avenge the killing of their members.

Ikechi said: "Early Sunday morning, we started hearing gunshots and some people running about. Eberechi was just in his room sleeping around 5a.m. when some Icelander boys came and shot him.

"The boys also killed another person. After the killings, rumour went round that Deygbam boys said they will come to revenge. Maybe that is what has just happened."

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