

Tension as assailants behead Ogbe-Ijoh indigene

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**Community threatens reprisal if victim's head is not returned*

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THERE was apprehension again, yesterday, between Ogbe-Ijoh and Aladja communities in Warri South-West Local Government Area and Udu Local Government Area, Delta State, as suspected assassins beheaded a father of two kids, Samson Bebebo, an indigene of Ogbe-Ijoh, taking away with his head.

A source confirmed to Sunday Vanguard that the deceased was shot on the chest by his killers, near his house in Ogbe-Ijoh, behind the Warri South West Local Government Area secretariat. Police spokesperson in Delta State, CSP Awele Dibiamaka, who confirmed the killing, yesterday, said he was working on a fish pond and his head was taken away by those who killed him, adding that investigations were on to unravel his killers.

An Ogbe-Ijoh leader, who spoke to Sunday Vanguard, alleged that the dastardly act was carried out by the people of Aladja, an allegation that Aladja people denied.

"The stand of Ogbe-Ijoh is that the head must be brought back or else, Ogbe-Ijoh people will also go to Aladja and do same," the leader threatened. contacted, President, Aladja Community Council, Prince Dogene Elias, said, "We do not know what they are talking about and it is very unfounded and inciting. "The Prof. Abnenego Ekoko Panel has moved round and a report is being awaited and we have confidence in what they are doing over the Aladja/Ogbe-Ijoh lingering crisis.