

Cultists kill 26-yr-old man in Delta

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OLEH—SUSPECTED cultists reportedly killed one Mr. Oyenka Oyende at Ndemili community, Ndokwa West Local Government Area, Delta State, yesterday morning, just as the police also killed a suspected armed robber in Sapele Local Government Area of the state.

It was gathered that the 26-year-old, Oyenka Oyende, was nephew to chairman of the community's vigilante team.

Though the circumstances surrounding the incident could not be ascertained at press time, a source said the killers of the deceased were members of a cult group in the community.

The source, who craved anonymity, said cultists have been terrorizing the community over the last few years.

Confirming the incident, Police Public Relations Officer of the state command, Mr. Andrew Aniamaka, however, said Oyenka Oyende was killed by "a gang of seven" persons.

He said: "The matter was reported by one Martins Oyende, the vigilante Chairman of Ndemili community.

"He reported the matter at Ndemili Police Station that about 01:00hr on Monday, his nephew, Oyenka Oyende (26yrs), who hails from Ndimili, was attacked and shot dead by a gang of seven.

"The gang leader was only recently released from prison in an ongoing case of arson and attempted murder.

"Two of the suspects have been arrested by the police. The corpse has been deposited at Ndemili hospital morgue."

