

4 cultists killed in aftermath of Anambra Imoka festival

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ONITSHA—NO fewer than four suspected cultists were said to have been killed in different locations in Awka, Anambra State capital, when two rival cults clashed.

It was gathered that the clashes occurred Sunday and Monday after the conclusion of the Imoka festival last Sunday.

According to sources, two were killed with axe and gun at Amaenyi and Aroma Junction when the warring groups, Aye (Black Axe) and Vikings (Baga) clashed late Sunday evening.

The other two were killed with gun and axe between the 'B' Division of the Nigeria Police Station and the Secretariat and their corpses removed by the Police.

Among the deceased was one identified as Arinze Igirigwe, aged 21, from Izzi in Ebonyi State who belonged to Aye confraternity, while the identities of other deceased members were not known at press time.

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