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## Death toll in Auchi cult war rises to 7

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**B**ENIN—DEATH toll in the clash between rival cults in Auchi Polytechnic, Auchi, Edo State, is now seven, following the killing of two persons in a reprisal attack on Monday night.

Vanguard gathered that the fight, which started Wednesday last week between Aye and Jurist confraternities over undisclosed disagreement initially claimed five lives.

It was also gathered that four persons were hacked to death at Iyakpi, while one was killed in Auchi, headquarters of Etsako West Local Government Area of Edo State, between Thursday and Sunday night.

Among those killed on Sunday night at different locations in the area, it was gathered, were Sikiru Jeliu and one Irale Obas, said to have recently completed the National Youth Service Corps, NYSC, scheme.