



## Two killed, scores injured as Delta communities clash over land

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**UDU**—THE clash between Oghior and Ukpiovwin communities in Udu Local Government Area of Delta State over a plot of land, yesterday, heightened with the killing of two persons while several others sustained various degrees of life-threatening machete cuts.

The dispute between both

communities, which erupted last Wednesday, had earlier led to the death of two persons while several others sustained various degrees of injuries with properties worth millions of naira destroyed during the clash.

Meanwhile, the state Commissioner of Police, Hafiz Inuwa, has drafted a team of policemen to the communities while the Udu council chairman,

Chief Jite Brown, has directed the Divisional Police Officer for Ovwian-Aladja police station to mobilise to the crisis zone to calm the contending forces and ensure that peace is restored.

However, in what residents of the affected communities described as a retaliatory attack, two persons from both communities were, yesterday morning, killed with their remains abandoned by the roadside.

One of those killed was identified as Edward Oyibode Okolor from Oghior community while the identity of the second victim could not be ascertained at press time.

Confirming the incident to Vanguard, Vice Chairman of Udu local council, Justice Iyasere, said: "So far, at least three persons have been reported killed during the clash. Another person was killed today (Sunday) after he was slaughtered with a machete by his attackers."

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