

# 4 dead as cult groups clash in Ughelli North



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**UGHELLI—RIVAL cult clash has left four persons dead at different locations in a fracas over debt recovery in Ughelli North Local Government Area of Delta State.**

**Vanguard learned that the four persons killed within 24 hours were suspected members of the Aye and Bagger cult groups.**

**According to dependable sources, one of the victims sold hard drugs to his rival cult group member without payment and in the cause of recovering his money, a disagreement broke out between them.**

**The source, who craved anonymity, said: “The man met his debtor who belonged to one of the cult groups requesting for his money and in the process, he was beaten up mercilessly.**

**“On another day, the guy that was beaten saw his debtor in a lonely area and he immediately severed his head with unidentified objects in retaliation for the previous attack on him.**

**“Pained by the retaliation, both groups mobilised their members against each other and the brutal killings started within the Ughelli metropolis.**

**“The issues started last Thursday while the killing began between Saturday and Sunday. Two persons were killed at the Okogbe axis of Otovwodo.**

**“The other two were killed around Iwhreko and Ogor Park on Sunday morning and it has been a guerrilla operation between both groups.”**

**Though the Delta State Police Public Relations Officer, Edafe Bright, could not respond to the enquiry at press time, a senior security source from the state command confirmed the incident.**

**The security source said: “We have only confirmed three and one of the group’s leaders has met with the security agents to resolve the issues.”**