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COMMUNITY NEWS

GULLY EROSION: **A'Ibom community cries out**

**9 persons killed, thousands rendered homeless, many houses destroyed*



Erosion



Before work was abandoned

By Tom Moses

IKPA TOWN—FOR the umpteenth time, the people of Ikpa community, Esit Eket Local Government Area, Akwa-

Urgent request

One of the residents, Mr. Enobong Bassey, who lost his house to the flood, urged Governor Udom Emmanuel to come to the aid of the people

by government to swing into action in this regard, has subjected the people of Ikpa Town Ward-4 to serious psychological trauma and untold threat of being completely eroded from the

of Assembly, Hon. Usoro Akpan Uso, who visited the scene," they said.

They continued, "Your Excellency, with profound respect and humility, we tender our passionate prayers again for

the people's appreciation that government had awarded the contract to Messrs Asubop, except that the good work done was stagnated because of lack of mobilization fee.

"We, therefore, request that the company being a competent indigenous contracting firm with quality equipment and trusted civil and technical staff, be mobilized to complete the good work it started so as to enable the community to monitor the job and for ease of movement of equipment to site", the community further appealed.

The contractor, Engineer O. J. Asubop, escaped death by the whiskers, about three months ago, when the youths of the community attacked him and destroyed his house on the allegation that he abandoned the contract to tackle the gully erosion, which destroyed people's houses and consumed seven lives.