

Ondo farmer found dead, body dumped inside canal



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A local farmer, identified as Oladunjoye Otele Ajiwoju, has been murdered, with his body found inside a canal at Akungba Akoko in Akoko South West Local Government Area of **Ondo State**.

Ajiwoju's body was found ten days after he was declared missing by his family members.

The deceased had initially told his mother that he was going to the farm alongside his cousin.

He later returned from the farm on the same day but left home again shortly afterwards, telling relatives he was going out to play, after which he never returned.



Johnson Ajiwoju, a representative of the family, who confirmed his death on Friday, said the initial assumption was that the farmer had travelled to his personal farm at Igboye Camp in Supare-Akoko until his corpse was found in the canal.

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He explained that the family became alarmed after seeing an online photograph of an unidentified body discovered in the Odeegbo canal, which they later identified as their relative.

“After carefully examining the picture, even though only the back view was visible, we discovered that it was Mr. Oladunjoye Otele Ajiwoju who was murdered and dumped in the canal,” he said.

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Meanwhile, the family has petitioned the Ondo State Police Command, demanding a full-scale investigation into the circumstances surrounding the incident.

The copy of the petition titled “gruesome murder of Mr Oladunjoye Otele Ajiwoju by unknown persons at Akungba-Akoko” dated May, 14 2026 and was filed through the family’s legal counsel, Bayo Olorunmeke and addressed to the Commissioner of Police.

They asked the police to ensure those responsible for the killing are apprehended and prosecuted.

“We are a firm of solicitors acting for The Family of Ajiwoju of Okele quarters, Akungba-Akoko, Ondo State, herein called ‘our client’ and on the family’s strict instruction, we cause this petition to your esteemed office.

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“We were briefed that Mr. Oladunjoye Ajiwoju, on the 6th of May, 2026, told his mother that he wanted to go to the farm with his cousin. According to the family spokesperson, Dr. Johnson Ajiwoju, Mr. Oladunjoye Ajiwoju came back from the farm on that day and later went out to play as usual, but did not return home

“The family spokesperson said they thought he had returned to his personal farm at Igboye camp in Supare-Akoko until yesterday, when a picture of a deceased found in the Odeegbo canal caught the attention of the family.

“After perusing the picture, even though it was the back view of the picture that was taken by the netizen, the family discovered that it was Mr. Oladunjoye Otele Ajiwoju who was murdered and dumped inside the canal.