

Clinic owners arrested over Ondo pregnant woman's death

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The Ondo State Police Command on Sunday said it had arrested a man, Kehinde Olawuyi, and his wife, Eniola Olawuyi, over the death of a 28-year-old woman identified simply as Iyanu at their clinic.

PUNCH Metro learnt that the couple allegedly operated an illegal medical clinic in Ore, Odigbo Local Government Area of the state.

According to a statement by the command's Public Relations Officer, DSP Abayomi Jimoh, the suspects allegedly mishandled a medical procedure on the deceased, who had gone to their facility to give birth.

The victim reportedly lost a significant amount of blood during the process, leading to her death.

Jimoh said the suspects were currently in police custody, while the command had commenced an investigation into the matter.

He said, "The Ondo State Police Command wishes to inform the general public that it has commenced an investigation into an alleged case involving the operation of an illegal medical facility in Ore, Odigbo Local Government Area of Ondo State.

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“On January 18, 2026, at about 6:00 pm, a report was received from a concerned citizen of the Sabo area of Odigbo, alleging that one Kehinde Olawuyi, a 36-year-old man, and his wife, Eniola Olawuyi, were operating an illegal medical clinic at Orita, Odigbo.

“According to the report, the suspects allegedly admitted one Iyanu, a 28-year-old woman, on January 4, 2026, at about 12:00 noon, for delivery at the said illegal facility.

“It was further alleged that the suspects mishandled the medical procedure in an unprofessional manner, which caused the victim to become unconscious and bleed profusely.

“The victim was immediately rushed to another medical facility in Odigbo for emergency medical attention. Unfortunately, despite the efforts of medical personnel, she was later confirmed dead.”

The police spokesperson added that preliminary investigations revealed that the suspects were not registered medical practitioners, confirming that the clinic was being operated illegally.

“The case is currently under investigation and will be charged to court upon the conclusion of the investigation,” he stated.

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