

26-year-old woman killed in Oyo, boyfriend at large

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The Oyo State Police Command has confirmed the killing of a 26-year-old woman, identified as Precious Mogaji, in Ibadan, the state capital.

A statement issued on Monday by the command's spokesperson, Olayinka Ayanlade, said investigations have begun to determine the circumstances surrounding her death.

According to Ayanlade, the incident was reported by a good Samaritan who found the victim lying lifeless at the entrance of her boyfriend's room. The boyfriend, Quadri Mohammed, aged 29, is currently at large.

The Police Public Relations Officer clarified that the killing occurred in the Oguntula area of Ojoo, Ibadan, and not in Akobo as initially reported in some media outlets.

"The Oyo State Police command has commenced investigation into the alleged murder of a victim, one Precious Mogaji 'F', aged 26 years.

"Preliminary investigation in this regard reveals that at about 0005hrs, the incident was brought to the attention of the Police by a good Samaritan who reported that the victim was found lying lifeless at the entrance of the room of her boyfriend, Quadri Mohammed 'M', aged 29 years.

“Contrary to the false narrative circulating in some sections of the media alleging that the incident occurred at Akobo and involved a husband attempting to place the corpse of his wife in the trunk of a car, preliminary findings indicate that the incident actually occurred at the Oguntula area of Ojoo, Ibadan, and not Akobo as widely reported.

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“Consequently, the command considers it necessary to clarify the circumstances surrounding the incident in order to set the record straight. Acting promptly on the information received, the Patrol Team and Incident Duty Officer of Ojoo Division were swiftly dispatched to the scene.

“Upon arrival, the lifeless body of the victim was discovered on the floor at the doorway of the suspect’s room. The body was forensically examined and findings duly documented in line with established investigative procedures and laid down rules.

“Following the preliminary examination, the scene was properly documented and photographs were taken. Thereafter, the corpse was evacuated by the Police to a hospital where it has been deposited at the morgue for autopsy to determine the exact cause of death.

“In the course of the investigation, it was discovered that the said boyfriend, Quadri Mohammed, is currently at large. Investigation is ongoing, while concerted efforts are being intensified to apprehend the suspect.”

The command urged anyone with information that could assist the investigation to contact the nearest Police station or the state Police command.

It also assured the public that further updates will be provided and asked them to disregard misleading reports circulating on social media.