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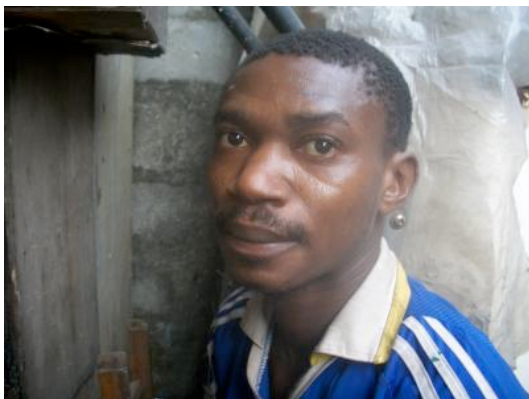
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Man rapes in-law to death

Blames actions on the great love he had for the deceased

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Barely two weeks after a young lady identified as Faith Akin was allegedly raped to death by a middle aged man, a similar incident has been reported at the Epe Police Station.

According to the report, 29-year-old Titus Ime raped his in-law, a 19-year-old woman identified as Blessing John, to death.

The incident occurred in a forest at Epe. The suspect allegedly trailed Blessing to her father's farm, where he raped her to death.

Ime, reporting the incident, said he assaulted Blessing due to her refusal to date him. The rapist cum murderer blamed his dastardly act on his "great love" for the deceased.

"I just moved to Lagos from Akwa -Ibom State to look for a job when I met Blessing. She is my in-law, as my uncle is married to her elder sister," he said.



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"As soon as I set my eyes on her, I fell in love with her but I kept it to myself. When I could not bear it anymore, I went to her to declare my love for her but she turned me down. I kept pestering her but she refused blatantly that she did not love me; this made me angry."

Ime added that despite Blessing's refusal to date him, he had to device a means to force her to have sex with him.

"I did not intend to kill Blessing but my feeling for her was very strong. So after monitoring her movement for some time, I discovered that she goes to the farm to uproot cassava in the evening with her father. That day, I trailed her from her house to the forest. She was alone and she did not know I was following her, when she got into the dense forest and there was no one in sight, I ran ahead of her and grabbed her, and started declaring my love for her but she turned me down.

"I was very angry and I grabbed her dress. She started struggling with me but I took a big stick and hit her on her head, she slumped immediately and I bend down over her and removed her skirt and had sex with her. All this while, she did not respond but I still had sex with her a second time but I do not know that she was dead; I thought she was just unconscious."

After committing the act, the suspect hid in the forest for four days. He however came out of his hiding when he could not bear the hunger anymore, and reported himself to his family who then handed him over to the police for prosecution.

Blessing's corpse were discovered by her father and has been deposited at a public mortuary for autopsy, while the case has been transferred to the Homicide department at Panti, Yaba for further investigation.

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indepthly punished 4 a bad, wicked act. Wot is life turnin into? May God save us!

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Hang him.

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by **Anonymous (not verified)** | March 26, 2012 - 2:09pm

It is alerting how stuff get reported in this country. Does any body take time to verify some of this Bizarre story. Please Nigerian should start verifying some of these story. However, if this story is true, then it calls for serious concern. Our family values need to be reinforced for a better society.

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God pls save women from the hands of wicked men, is love by force?, now that she is dead u will definitely follow her 2 her grave & love her very, very well there.May God 4give u reapist cum murderer.

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by **sarki (not verified)** | March 27, 2012 - 4:08pm

This guy need serious deliverance. yes it is painful to be turned down after professing to someone you sincerely think you loved but is that enough to go the extent he went. capital NO. where are the psychiatric domain in this country, please, b4 police should any thing he should be examine properly to know his state of mental wellness. Me think he is sick. nevertheles, he should face the music of three count charges (harassment, rape and murder)

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by **Anonymous (not verified)** | March 27, 2012 - 4:11pm

such a babaric behaviuor, you loved a lady because you want her to have sex with you! too bad. he should be punish here and be judged.

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by **Anonymous (not verified)** | March 27, 2012 - 5:33pm

what he has for her was lust and not love, he just wanted to have sex with the poor girl, now see what he has done to her after raping her

or abi sleeping with her dead body. pathetic.

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