Severed head of missing girl found in dump site

THE body of a three-yearold girl of Ile-Goroso, Ita-Ogunbo, Area of Ilorin was found on Tuesday, with her head severed and body mutilated by suspected ritualists

The News Agency of Nigeria (NAN) reports that the girl identified as Aliyah, was declared missing on Monday and the parents discovered her severed head at a dump site.

Other mutilated parts of the body were recovered

from an unused soak-away in the neighbourhood.

When NAN visited the victim's house, the father of the girl was said to have relocated from the house to another place due to shock.

However, Alhaji Usman Alabi, 70, the grandfather of the deceased, said the assailants ripped open the girl's stomach, removed the intestines, and chopped off her private part, hands and legs. "The girl was noticed

missing around 12 pm. on Monday after going out with her mates to play in the neighbourhood. We raised a search party to find her and reported the matter at the Police 'C' Division.

"On Tuesday, around, 5 am., her beheaded corpse was seen in an unused soak-away; while the stomach was ripped off without any intestines and the private part, hands and legs chopped off," he said.

The octogenarian said that the family did not suspect anybody, but were looking up to God to expose the perpetrators.

Mr. Femi Olubode, the state Police Public Relations Officer, confirmed the incident, but said no arrest had been made.

"We are still investigating the matter, but as at now, we have not made any arrest in connection with the incident," Olubode said.