

Murdered lady's corpse to be buried today, say police

By Benjamin Auta

The corpse of an unidentified lady picked up from the roadside at Ado in Nasarawa state on July 2, 2007 is to be buried today, police say.

Policemen who examined the corpse said the lady might have been strangled to death after being raped.

A senior police officer at New Karu police division on Tuesday said nobody had come to claim the corpse at the Federal Medical Centre, Keffi.

The officer said some officials from the medical centre met with the police authorities last week to find out if they had been able to trace the deceased's relations, adding that pressure was on the police to reclaim the corpse from the hospital.

"We have been waiting for anybody who knows her to come and identify the body and claim it, but till now (Tuesday), nobody has shown up," he said.

The police said they had already started work on the coroner's report which they

intend to take to court for permission to bury the body in a public cemetery.

"We have made efforts in trying to locate the relations of the deceased," police authorities told City News.

A policeman said they had used every available medium to announce the death in order for people to come forward to claim the corpse.

"We have used all mediums available to us to announce the incident, and the officials of the hospital at Keffi have been patient with us, but since nobody has come to claim the body, we cannot wait for very long anymore," the source added.



Flash back: Lifeless body of the murdered victim.

Election tribunal: ANPP withdraws petition over

By Misbahu Bashir

The councillorship can-didate of the All Nige-ria Peoples Party (ANPP) at Kubwa ward in Bwari area council in the just concluded area council polls, Mr. Mohammed Sa'idu, has withdrawn his petition be-

fore an election tribunal challenging the election of Mr. Abubakar Bala of the Peoples Democratic Party as the councillor of the ward.

The counsel to the petitioner, Barr E. Ebute, applied

for the withdrawal of the petition. He prayed that the tribunal grant the application because both the petitioner and the respondent had reconciled their differences.

Defendant's counsel Barr J. M. Jai accepted the application made by the pe-

itioner.

The tribunal chairman, after listening to both counsel, struck out the petition.

The petitioner told the City News after the tribunal's proceedings that the withdrawal was necessary as a result of the intervention of