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UniJos student docked for rape ...as army officer stabs resident

The Plateau State Police Command, yesterday, arrested a 300level student of the University of Jos for allegedly raping an 18-year-old girl around Tina Junction in Jos North Local Government Area of the state.

Plateau State Police Public Relations Officer, ASP Tyopev Terna, said the victim had reported that the student whose name was given as Moses Tobias had forcefully had carnal knowledge of her on April 26, an incident she reported to the Nasarawa Gwom Police Station on Monday evening.

ASP Terna said though the suspect had confessed to the offence, the matter had been

transferred to the state CID to determine if the suspect's actions had a ritual inclination. He also said the police were trying to verify from the management of the University of Jos whether the suspect was a student of the institution.

Daily Trust also gathered that a soldier with the 3rd Armoured Division, Rukuba Barracks, Jos, had in the early hours of Tuesday stabbed one Ponkyes Bakur of West of Mines, who eventually died at the Bingham University Teaching Hospital,

Jos. The Police PRO, while confirming the incident, said the alleged soldier was identified as Lance Corporal Victor Olorunfemi, attached to 434 Battalion of the 3rd Armoured Division.

He confirmed that the victim who was stabbed around 1:30a.m. was confirmed dead and his remains had been deposited at the mortuary.

"The CID has written to the 3rd Armoured Division to establish the identity of the soldier," he said.