

Labourer Sentenced To Death For Killing 2-Year-Old



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The Ogun State High Court, on Tuesday, sentenced a 39-year-old labourer, Mohammed Ibrahim, to death by hanging for the murder of a two-year-old child.

Ibrahim was tried and convicted on a two-count charge of attempted murder.

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Earlier, the prosecutor, Mrs Oluwabumi Akinola, told the court that Ibrahim committed the offence on April 12, 2014, at Ofada in Abeokuta.

She said on the said date Ibrahim followed Mrs Yakubu, who had her two-year-old son, to a bush path when she went to defecate.

“On getting into the bush, she dropped her baby to defecate and Ibrahim attacked her with a knife trying to cut off her neck.

“The complainant struggled with Ibrahim and escaped to call for help without carrying her son.

“When Ibrahim realised he did not succeed in cutting off her head, he then cut off the complainant's son's head.”

She said Ibrahim had negotiated with a woman at Ibadan to pay N120,000 for a human head.

Justice Ayokunle Rotimi-Balogun found Ibrahim guilty and sentenced him to life imprisonment and to death by hanging for attempted murder and murder respectively.

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