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Family, others seek justice for pregnant woman murdered in Anambra

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Omuodimma Ugbele-Mgbidi in
Oru West LGA of Imo State.

The family of Chief Nze Hyginus Nwagboso of Umueze village in Amorka town, Ihiala Local Government Area of Anambra State, has demanded justice over the murder of their daughter, Mrs Chinecherem Emeka.

Mrs Emeka, a 19-year-old pregnant woman, was allegedly murdered by her husband, Prince Nnanna Emeka, from

The family said the Chinecherem was murdered with a four-month pregnancy by her husband who disappeared immediately after the incident.

The father of the deceased, Chief Nwagboso, said Chinecherem who was killed while asleep, had no prior misunderstanding with the husband.

Reacting on behalf of the Amorka Council of Chiefs, the

legal adviser to the traditional council and town union, Barr Chinwuba Ndukaihe, pleaded for thorough investigation into the matter to bring the perpetrators to justice.

Also speaking, Member representing Ihiala Constituency I at the State House of Assembly, Hon Chidi Udemadu, condemned the act, calling for thorough investigation to bring the perpetrator to book.

A human rights lawyer,

Lawrence Nwaket, described the act as condemnable and a reflection of the rot in the system where the craze to get rich by all means had become the order of the day.

When contacted, police spokesman of Anambra, Tochukwu Ikenga, "The case has been transferred to state CID and the suspect is still in our custody. Meanwhile, investigation is still ongoing and the matter will soon be charged to court."

Octogenarian offers free medicare, scholarships to Anambra community

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At least 3,000 persons in Obeledu community in Anaocha Local Government Area of Anambra State are to benefit from a three-day medical outreach by the Okwuanyionu Foundation Centre.

The people of the community will also benefit from scholarships and skills acquisition programmes, including computer training, under the foundation championed by an octogenarian, Dr Josephat Okoye.

Chief Okoye said the gesture was in appreciation of God's benevolence upon his life and expression of gratitude to the community for the rare chieftaincy title bestowed on him.

He said, "The president general of my town had informed me of the community's plans to bestow on me the

highest title: "Akaoma jide aku", no other person had and will ever be given.

"As I thought of what to do to my community in appreciation for such an honour, I remembered the needy and downtrodden and decided to set up a foundation for medicare, scholarship and skills acquisition for them."

The Chairman of the Planning Committee of the medicare programme, Chief Emeka Obegelu, said the locals, including the elders, youths and children, were being attended to by a team of medical experts led by Dr John Obegolu from San Francisco, California, USA.

The traditional ruler of the community, Igwe Chijioke Oragwam, appreciated the benefactor for the gesture and prayed for long life and sound health.



■ Late Mrs Chinecherem and her husband