

# CRIME NOTES

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**FOILED:** On November 27, at about 9.30pm, a distress call was received at Ajah Police Station that armed robbers are operating along the Ajah-Epe Expressway. A team of Anti-Robbery Policemen raced to the scene and arrested one of the robbers while they were robbing one Alhaji Shehu Olorunaja of his car, with Reg. No. DK 330 GGE and other valuable items with carved, wooden gun. The arrested suspect has made useful statement.

**ARRESTED:** ON November 24, at about 4pm, information was received at State CID, Panti-Yaba that one Statish Jathaw, an Indian national of Sterlon Nigeria Limited, No. 425, Apapa Oshodi Expressway, allegedly embezzled the sum of two million naira between belonging to the company, between January and September. The suspect has reportedly confessed to the crime.

**COLLAPSED BUILDING:** ON Nov. 27, at about 9:40pm, a report was received at Ajao Estate Police Station that a three-storey building under construction at No. 1 Airport Road, Ajao Estate owned by a bank collapsed, with workers trapped therein. A total of 12 persons have been rescued and hospitalised, with seven of them already discharged.

**FATAL ACCIDENT:** ON Nov. 27, at about 6:30pm, there was a report at Ikotun Police Station that a yet-to-be identified driver of a commercial LT Bus, with Reg. No. XJ 695 ABC, ran over one 23-year-old Edokpolor Umweni along Egbe Road, Ikotun. The victim died on the spot.

Similarly, on November 27 at about 7:20 am, hours, a report was received at Ipaja Police Station that a MAN diesel Tipper, Reg. No. XB 433 FFF driven by one Musibau Alamu, ran over Ogunode Idowu and Sanusi Azeez, both commercial motorcyclists; a female passenger, one Mrs. Nike Fayemi and two yet-to-be identified adult male pedestrians opposite Plot 4, Command Road, Ipaja. The two unidentified pedestrians died on the spot while others have been hospitalised.

**ROBBERY:** ON November 28, at about 10pm, a team of Anti-Robbery policemen from Ijora Badia Station, while on patrol, received a distress call that robbers are operating at Iganmu-Orile Bridge. The team raced to the scene and arrested the duo of Samuel Effiong and Henry Obasuyi Joseph of no fixed address while they were robbing passersby with sharp cutlass. Their operational motorcycle, with Reg. No. LA 1974 JK had been impounded.

Similarly, on November 29, at about 8:30pm, a team of Anti-Robbery policemen from Festac Police Station, while on patrol between Alakija and Oluti bus stops, intercepted robbers who operated on motorcycles. There was exchange of gunshot and, in the process, one of the robbers was shot dead. One 7.62mm live ammunition was recovered from the deceased robbery. The fleeing robbers abandoned two motorcycles, while the arrested suspects have made useful statements.

**FIRE INCIDENT:** ON November 29, at about 9pm, a report was received at Ajao Estate Police Station of a fire outbreak at No 15, Samuel Ike Street, Ajao. The fire was put out by members of the public with help from policemen.

Similarly, on Nov. 29, at about 12:10am, a report was received at Anthony Police Station that there was a fire outbreak at No. 8, Tunde Hassan Street, Ifako-Gbagada. The fire was put out by fire servicemen, with assistance from policemen.

**MOTOR ACCIDENT:** ON November 29, at about 08:30am, there was a report at Denton Police Station that a Fiat Truck, with Reg. No XB 153 KJA, driven by one Sanni Maiti ran over a yet-to-be identified adult male pedestrian at Leventis 'U' Turn, Iddo. The victim died on the way to the hospital.

Similarly, on November 29, at about 07:30am, there was a report at Iponri Police Station that a Mini Bus, with Reg. No XM 370 GGE driven by one Adewale Aderetan, lost control and somersaulted at Alaka along Western Avenue, Surulere. One Lukman Bamigbade died on the spot while other occupants sustained injuries and have been hospitalised.