Housewife kills 11-year-old boy for stealing N6,500

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47-year-old woman, Joy Egeonu

A 47-year-old woman, Joy Egeonu was yesterday, arrested by men of Ogun State Police Command for the murder of an 11-year-old, Chibuike Egeonu for stealing N6, 500.

It was gathered that the victim, a nephew to the suspect's husband, was beaten to death and the body taken to Ifo, a suburb of the state, where he was hurriedly buried to cover up her crime.

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It was learnt that the suspect was arrested following a report by the deceased's mother, Ijeoma Egeonu at Agbado Divisional headquarters on the strength of the report, the DPO Agbado Division CSP Omonijo Olatunji led his detectives to the scene where the woman was promptly arrested.

"On interrogation, the suspect claimed the boy stole her money, which prompted her to flog him to the point of coma. She further stated that the boy gave up the ghost while she was taking him to the hospital and that it was later discovered that the missing money was taken by her husband and not the dead child as suspected. She has since taken detectives to where the boy was hurriedly buried.

"Meanwhile, the Commissioner of Police, Cp Ahmed Iliyasu has ordered nthe immediate transfer of the suspect to homicide section of the State Criminal Investigation and Intelligence Department for further probe.

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He also ordered the arrest of the suspect's husband who assisted in burying the boy in order to cover up the criminal act of his wife