


Police Arrest Man With Two Human Heads, Palm

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Police in Ibadan, Oyo State capital, have arrested a middle-aged man, Tafa Ayorinde, with two fresh human heads, a palm and dry bones. 

Luck ran out on him when the polythene bag in which he was carrying the human parts dropped, revealing its evil contents.

Ayorinde was allegedly trying to escape on sensing the end of his evil game.

The story spread, a large crowd of people besieged the police stations at Ogbere and Eleyele in Ibadan to catch a glimpse of the alleged human parts merchant.

One of the fresh heads was identified as that of a young girl, fair in complexion. It was already decomposing.

The second was that of a dark-complexioned man. It was still very fresh, with cotton wool in the nostrils.

The two heads and a palm with five fingers were displayed alongside Tafa at the Eleyele Police Headquarters.

Nemesis, *Saturday Independent* gathered, caught up with the suspect, who claimed to be a native doctor, on his way from a cemetery early yesterday.

He had gone to exhume the body parts, *Saturday*

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Independent was told.

According to the suspect, the human parts were needed for money-making rituals.

He denied being commissioned by anyone to perpetrate the act.

He also denied killing anyone, claiming the two heads belonged to two corpses he exhumed at a cemetery at Ogbere Tioya in Ibadan.

Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO), ASP Fatai Sanni, addressed the press.

He said somebody who was in the bush spotted two men walking with a bag very close to Tioya Junction on Akanran Road, Ibadan in suspicious circumstances.

"Somehow, he noticed that something fell from the bag and at close observation, he discovered that it was human head. He then raised alarm, then the two men took to their heels, but with the aid of some commercial motorcycle

operators, the men were pursued and eventually one of them was caught, while the other escaped", he said.

The suspect caught was Tafa Ayorinde, a male of about 40 years of age.

"When the bag was searched, two fresh human heads were discovered and he was subsequently brought to Ogbere Police Station, from where he was later transferred to the

Eleyele Police Headquarters", he disclosed.

Sanni added that the man had already confessed that they exhumed the corpses at Abonde Cemetery along Akanran Road and that they were needed for money rituals.

He said the police would carry out an in-depth investigation into the case.

Tafa, speaking with *Saturday Independent*, said he had never engaged in money rituals for anybody. He said the deal-gone-awry was his first attempt in the act.