

Apprentice Kills Master, Wife In Ogun For Failing To 'Settle' Him

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An apprentice, Chukwudi Okoro has been arrested by police in Ogun State for allegedly hacking to death his master, Azubuike Okoro, who is an elder brother to him with a machete.

He was said to have also killed his brother's wife Jecinta Okoro with the same machete.

The suspect was arrested following a report by one Joseph Nwagu, who lodged a complaint at Sango police division to the effect that Azubuike and his wife had been hacked to death by the suspect and one Kenneth.

Kenneth was said to have come all the way from Sapon in Abeokuta to commit the heinous crime with

Chukwudi.

Upon his report, the Divisional Police Officer (DPO), Sango division SP Nasirudeen Oyedele led detectives to the scene where the suspect was arrested but his accomplice escaped.

On interrogation, the Ebonyi State-born suspect claimed to have served his deceased elder brother for three years, and when it was time for him to be settled, his brother kept on postponing his part of the agreement. He further stated that when he realized that his brother was not ready to settle him, he contracted one Kenneth who is now on the run and they both bought two cutlasses, sharpened it to the edges and headed to his deceased elder brother's house in Ijako.

He added that on getting there, they met the deceased eating with his wife and before he can utter a word, they descended heav-

ily on them with the sharp cutlasses and killed them.

Abimbola Oyeyemi, Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO) for the state who confirmed the incident said the two corpses had been taken to the General Hospital, Otta mortuary for autopsy.

He added that the Commissioner of Police, Ogun Command, CP Ahmed Iliyasu had ordered the immediate transfer of the suspect to homicide section of the state criminal investigation and intelligence department for discreet investigation.

"He equally directed that the escaped accomplice of the suspect be hunted for and brought to book within the shortest possible time. The CP therefore appealed to residents of the state not to take any threat to their lives lightly by reporting such to the police no matter who is involved," the police image maker said.

