Suspected Ritualists Dump Dismembered Body Of 'Intoxicated' Man In Asaba

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ASABA – There was pandemonium in Asaba, Oshimili South Local Government Area, on Saturday when residents woke up to discover a dismembered body of an unidentified man on the road.

Sunday Independent gathered that the victim had been lying along the road struggling for breathe for hours after allegedly getting himself drunk at a nearby bar.

Our source revealed that the deceased was on the road leading to the palace last Friday night with parts of his body intact, but was found without his head and some vital organs the next day.

When contacted, Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO), DSP Onome Onowvakpoyeya, confirmed the incident.

She revealed that investigation had begun for the arrest of the culprits of the heinous crime.

She added that the deceased might be mad, but, "we are aware that parts of his body were missing."

Meanwhile, gunmen suspected to be assailants have reportedly shot dead, Mr. Onovughe Jovi, owner of popular Jovi Garden Hotel, along Otor-Udu Road by Otuama Quarters in Udu Local Government Area of Delta State.

The unknown gunmen had waylaid the deceased's vehicle, who was in the company of his mother, Mrs Agnes Jovi, and shot him dead.

It was gathered that the gunmen also shot the deceased's mother.

The incident took place when the deceased and his mum were returning to the hotel. They were said to have been ambushed by their attackers along the Ekete Inland road leading to Ovwian/Aladja Police Station.

Father of the deceased, Chief Jovi, died in 2019 after a brief illness and was yet to be buried before the killing of his son. The late Onovughe had been managing the hotel since the death of his father.

It was not clear what led to the killing of Onovughe as at the time of filing this report.

The State Commissioner of Police, Mr. Hafiz Inuwa, confirmed the incident through the Divisional Police Officer (DPO) in charge of Ovwian/Aladja Police Station, Mr Akinzo Gbosa.

He said the deceased was shot dead while driving with his mother and that no arrest had been made.