

# Couple Kill Co-tenant In Benue

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A 25-year-old man, Mathew Egwu and his wife are currently being detained at the Makurdi Medium Security Prison for allegedly killing a tenant in the house where they reside.

Egwu, a carpenter who resides at a popular street in Wadata area of Makurdi, alongside his wife and two others, was alleged to have beaten the deceased, Tyolumun Shija to stupor during a fight.

It was gathered that a quarrel ensued between the rival tenants and resulted in a fight and the accused, Egwu and his wife reportedly used a block to hit the deceased on the head.

The reason for the fight was still unknown at the time of this report.

Sources said the victim sustained severe injury on the head and was quickly rushed to the hospital by some neighbours but he died on the way.

The accused, his wife and two others were

arrested by the police during investigation.

At a magistrates' court in Makurdi yesterday, the accused was charged on a two count charge of criminal conspiracy and culpable homicide. The suspects however, pleaded not guilty to the charge and denied killing the deceased.

The trial magistrate, Mrs Lilian Tsumba ordered that the accused be remanded in prison and adjourned the case to December 19, 2013 for hearing.

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