Abimbola (Area Crime Officer, Idimu Police who is her niece.

Man, 34, Rapes, Murders 12-year-old Girl In Imo

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A 34-year-old man, identified as Mr. Samuel Chukwunyere, a native of Amaegbu Umulolo in Nkwerre area council of Imo State, has been arrested by the Imo State Police Command for the murder of a 12-yr-old girl, Miss Ifunanya Favour Ibe, who he had kidnapped, raped and killed, before dumping her body in a well.

The decomposed remains of the victim who was declared missing two months ago was discovered after the police arrested the suspect, who was said to have absconded after committing the crime.

Parading the suspect at the scene of the crime, the state police commissioner, Muhammad Musa Katsina, said that the suspect who had been banished from his community for similar offence, lured the victim to his one-room apartment, where he held her captive and sexually abused her, before and later on strangled her and dumped the body in a well to conceal the crime.

Katsina further disclosed that after the victim was declared missing by her parents two months ago and this prompted police investigation. After serious efforts, Chukwunyere sneaked back into the village, where the police welcomed him with open arms, after the command's officers had trailed him.

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