

Caregiver Beats 14-year-old To Death

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A 14-year-old boy identified as Terkura has been beaten to death by his late father's younger sister in Makurdi, the Benue State capital, for allegedly stealing N50 to buy biscuits.

Our correspondent gathered from neighbours who do not want their names in print that Terkura, who is staying with her aunty at a low level, has been going through a series of maltreatment by her

aunty, who is supposed to be his caregiver in the absence of his father.

According to them, what led to Terkura's death was that after being thoroughly beaten by her aunty with bruises all over her body, the said aunty left her in the pool of his blood to the village and instructed that Terkura should not be giving food and also not allow to sleep inside her room.

Terkura, also known as Aboy, was sleeping hungry in the cold Varanda. She was becoming weaker and weaker by the day, and her aunty's

neighbours called her, but she refused to come back and attend to him. However, the neighbours decided to rush him to the hospital in her absence, seeing his condition. Before they could commence treatment, he gave up the ghost.

Our correspondent also visited the Mother's House, where he was staying with his late grandmother before moving to his aunty's house on the pretence that she would train him in school as his late brother instructed him before he died.