

Missing driver found dead



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AFTER a week of intensive search, the decomposing body of 53 year-old missing driver, Mr Samuel Onyemenam has been discovered at an uncompleted building on the outskirts of Asaba.

ASP Charles Muka, PPRO, confirmed that the deceased was found in an uncompleted building in the Government Reserved Area in Asaba.

Asaba, the State Capital, has lately witnessed a resurgence of violent crime, prompting a recent summons of the Acting Commissioner of Police, Mr Jacob Oshomogho by the State Assembly to explain the rising incidence of crime in the city.

The Nation learnt that Mr Samuel Onyemenam, an employee of a popular hotel, disappeared in bizarre circumstances after he was recalled to duty by the hotel's General Manager.

It was learnt that at 7.30 am last Sunday 8th, Mr Onyemenam received a call requesting him to chauffeur a

guest of the hotel around the metropolis.

The wife of the deceased, Mrs Mary Onyemenam, who spoke to our reporter noted that the family became apprehensive when attempts to establish contact with her husband on his mobile phone failed.

She further narrated that the family went to the police to lodge a complain leading to a search for her husband.

In a related development, an undergraduate, Mr Kinsley Okubama, student of Biochemistry at the Ebonyi State University and five others were, Saturday, apprehended by operatives of the Nigeria Security and Civil Defence Corps (NSCDC), Delta State

From Okungbowa Aiwerie, Asaba

Command. The Nation learnt that the paramilitary unit acting on a tip-off swooped on the suspected oil pipeline vandals between Kpakiamma and Orhore, Delta State

Commandant of the Corps, Mr A.B Ali while parading the suspects disclosed that 31 drums of products suspected to be petroleum products with a street value of .6million, a Passat Bora Saloon and a Mercedes Benz truck with registration No- XK 997BDG was impounded by his men.

Other suspects paraded included, Broderick Okubama, Peter Keke Eziyoja, Peter Ighorodje, Lucky Joseph and Justin

Amasina

According to the commandant, vandals have devised new means of conveying stolen products, stressing that boats and trailers are no longer being used but that trucks are now used.

He appealed to members of the public to volunteer information to aid the corps, stressing that the corp will not relent in pursuing vandals as anti-vandalism is part of the mandate of the corps.

He stated that the agency was in collaboration with the EFCC in the prosecution of vandals, adding that the arrested suspects will be handed over to the anti graft agency

Obioma Imoke establishes NGO on child Rights

**From Kunle Johnson,
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ensuring that Child.. Right Act is passed into law in the state", she stated.

She said the organization would help to provide basic health care for children, facilitate the amendment on the existing penalty on rape, child abuse, child trafficking and child labour with the hope of eliminating re-occurrence of the anomalies and also promoting academic excellence and qualitative education.

Mrs Imoke called for renewed commitment from the citizens of the country to ensure that the rights of children are safeguarded.

According to her it is necessary to lay a solid foundation for children by

way of provision of quality access to basic educational facilities and ample opportunities to develop their individual capacities to the maximum.

Mrs. Imoke was of the view that every child is born with unique qualities, talents and destinies which should not be stifled, adding that Asfac intends to be a voice that will continue to prick the conscience of all companies or firms to desist from producing child destructive products

The Governor's wife who was alarmed by the statistics by the United Nation International Children Education Funds (UNICEF) that 65 of every 1,000 deaths occur through maternal and infant mortality said that such death could be minimized.

WORRIED by the plight of Children in the state, the wife of the Cross River State Governor, Mrs. Obioma Liyel Imoke has established a non-governmental organization known as "A State Fit For A Child (ASFAC) with the aim of raising awareness to the peculiar challenges of children in the state.

Mrs. Imoke explained that ASFAC was aimed at creating an enabling environment for the growth, health, education, and general well being of the children in the state.

"ASFAC amongst other things aims at raising awareness of the peculiar challenges of the children in Cross River State, improving on the high infant and maternal mortality rate;