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Doctor killed in Lagos

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A DOCTOR in a private hospital in Oko-Oba area of Lagos was killed yesterday by unknown gunmen.

Dr. Adegboyega Rufai was shot dead inside the hospital for a reason that is yet to be ascertained.

It was gathered that a baby was delivered on Friday morning at the hospital but the child's mother died.

Sources said three men walked into the hospital on Monday and demanded to see the late Dr Rufai.

It was learnt that as they were ushered in to see him, one of them pulled out a gun and shot him several times. The gunmen fled immediately.

Policemen from Abattoir Police Station were invited to the scene and the nurses on duty were arrested for interrogation.

Police spokesman Jayieoba Joseph confirmed the killing.

According to him, the woman, who hailed from Imo State, was delivered of a baby girl last Friday and she died early Saturday.

"After her death, her husband came and requested for her body for burial, because he said he did not want to make any trouble. The body was released to him.

"Around 6.30am yesterday, three men came into the clinic, pretending to be patients. They took the nurses on duty hostage, demanding to see the doctor. Immediately they saw him, they opened fire. The three of them hurriedly left the scene before policemen could get there.

"The police suspect that the dead woman's husband, who is said to be in Imo State, may have a hand in the killing," Joseph said.

He said the nurse on duty were arrested for questioning and that the case had been transferred to the homicide section of the State Criminal Investigation Department (SCID), Panti, Yaba.