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Tragedy struck on Sunday, May 3, 2015 at No 25, Ewuga Street, Makun, Sagamu Local Government, Ogun State, when a tenant, Segun Oso allegedly killed his landlord's son, Temitope Sogede during a scuffle.

Segun, a tipper driver was said to have thrown a harmful substance on the floor in the house, which Temitope's child, Semilore, swallowed.

Semilore subsequently developed complications which landed him in a hospital.

Segun, who had gone to church when the child swallowed the object soon returned and was challenged by Temitope, for bringing home the harmful substance.

A fight then broke out between them but were separated by other occupants of the building.

All was thought to be over when Segun unexpectedly grabbed a knife and stabbed Tope as he was returning to his apartment.

Tope's elder brother, Mr Olawale Sogede, said of the incident: "It was Tope's wife who told her husband about the incident on the phone and he quickly rushed home. A fight broke out when he (Tope) rebuked Segun for bringing the dangerous substance home. I was the one that separated them and we thought the feud was over.

"Tope was going to his apartment not knowing that Segun was still upset with him. Tope suddenly screamed that he had been stabbed in the back by Segun. We rushed to the scene and found Segun holding a blood stained knife with which he used to kill my brother.

"It was Segun's wife who collected the knife from her husband and tried to hid it from policemen. We could not stop Tope's bleeding by applying first aid, hence, we took him to a private hospital in the community, where he died while receiving treatment."

It was learnt that Segun had lacerated his body with a sharp object and told policemen at the Makun Police Station that he was stabbed during a fight with one of his neighbours.

He was said to have been referred to a hospital for treatment.

Unknown to Segun, the hospital he was referred was the same hospital where Tope was rushed for treatment.

It was at the hospital that police detectives arrested him after his complicity in the matter was revealed during investigation.

He is currently held at the State Criminal Investigation Department (SCID), Elewera, Abeokuta.

The spokesman for the State Police Command, Mr Muiyiwa Adejobi, confirmed the incident.

"It was a case involving two occupants of a building. One of them was the son of the owner of the building and he was allegedly killed in the course of the fight. The suspect (Segun) is in our custody while the case has been transferred to SCID for further investigation."

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