

Mystery! Man dies after eating ritual items

A night guard in the Opoosuru area of Gas Line, Ijoko, Ogun State, has died after eating ritual meal placed at a junction in the area.

The man identified as Jamiu aka Jamaica was a national of Benin Republic.

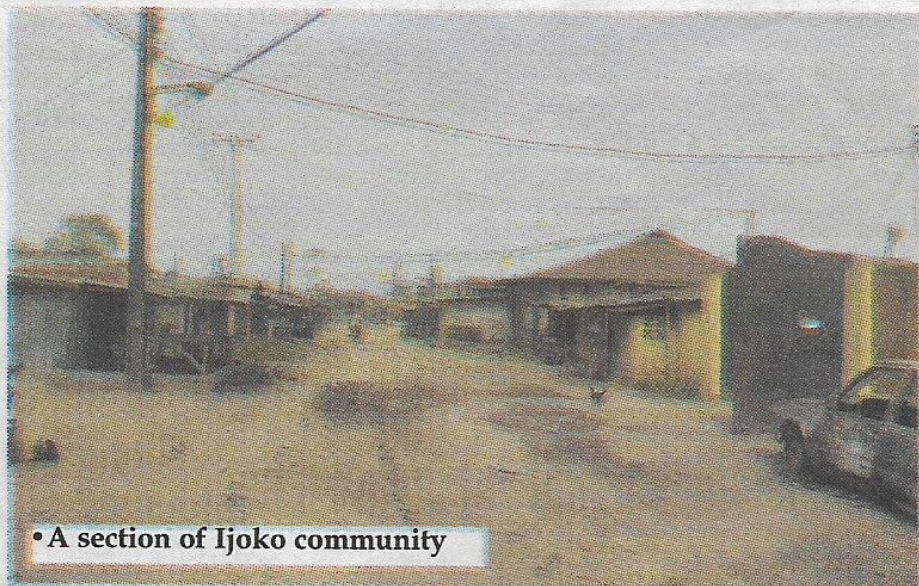
He was said to have left his wife and children in Benin Republic and relocated to the community where he worked as night guard.

It was learnt that the deceased was fond of eating ritual meals prepared with boiled eggs and palm-oil placed at T-Junctions in the community.

His lust for ritual meals however cost him his life after eating one of such meals placed at junction near the railway line in the community.

It was learnt that he suffered serious mental health problems shortly after eating the fetish meal and died a few days later.

"The late Jamiu was fond of bragging about eating ritual meals placed by traditionalists at junctions. He used to boast that



• A section of Ijoko community

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there was no ritual meal that he cannot eat especially ones prepared with boiled eggs and 'garnished with palm oil.

"A few days ago he ate another ritual meal and took ill the day after. We thought that he would survive the illness but his condition worsened as he began

to emaciate and showed signs of mental illness. He was subsequently taken to his hometown in Benin Republic where he died," said a close source who did not want his name in print.

The Nation gathered that the Jamiu's death came at a time one of his daughters was preparing for her wedding.

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