

Commercial sex worker found dead in Benin

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A commercial sex worker, identified as Precious, has been found dead in Benin City, Edo State capital.

The Nation learnt her body was found by the roadside, near a tomato market, on Upper Mission Extension Road.

A resident said they heard somebody shouting: "Please, please take the bag," about 4 am where the body was found.

The witness said they did not come out because it was dark. There were bruises in the hands of the deceased. Blood gushed out of her nostrils.

She was half clad and her body faced the ground.

An employee of the brothel, which the deceased and her friends patronised, alleged Precious was a commercial sex worker. According to the employee, "the truth is that she was a hustler. I came to the office this morning and I was told that she left on Monday and had not returned.

"When they called her phone, it rang and was later switched off. I suggested that we should report the matter to the police. I called Aduwawa Police Station and the officers said we should bring her photograph. Later, we heard that a body was found at Upper Mission extension.

"She hustled on Old Road in Aduwawa, so we went there and discovered that she was the one."

A friend of the deceased, who also hustled, said she did not know where Precious hailed from.

She said the deceased had an eight-month-old child.

Police spokesman Chidi Nwabuzor said the body had been taken to the mortuary.

He said: "We have begun investigation into the incident."













