

# Man beats wife to death, arrested in Nasarawa

**T**HE police in Nasarawa State have arrested a man for allegedly beating his wife to death.

Mrs Esther Aya was said to have given up the ghost after she was beaten up by Mr Oyve Yakubu after a quarrel that broke out at their residence in Sabon Pegi, Shabu, Nasarawa State.

A disagreement was said to have occurred between the couple when Esther engaged the services of a carpenter to fix their window's net in order to prevent further mosquito attacks, but Yakubu ordered the carpenter to stop work and his action got Esther angry, resulting in physical confrontation.

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Esther, who until her death was a teacher at Government Secondary School, Doka in Lafia North Development Area, was said to have been involved in a long drawn battle with Yakubu, including a lawsuit, over the ownership of the house they both lived in Sabon Pegi, Shabu.

Before her death yesterday, the deceased woman was said to have looked frail and depressed as a result of frustration.

Yakubu was immediately whisked away by police after her death, with help from the traditional heads of the area.

Confirming Yakubu's arrest

for allegedly killing his wife, the Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO) in Nasarawa State, Ramhan Nansel, said the suspect was arrested after the police received a report of the incident.

Nansel added that investigation into the matter was ongoing at the State Criminal Investigation Department Lafia.

He said that Esther's corpse had been deposited in the morgue for post mortem examination.

Our correspondent gathered that the deceased mother of three's corpse was taken to Shabu Primary Health Care centre in Lafia North Development Area at the time of filing this report.