Dogs maul girl to death, devour foetus from expectant mum's womb



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Two foreign breed dogs have killed a five-year-old girl and devoured the miscarried foetus from her expectant mother's belly.

The horrific incident occurred yesterday at Hallelujah Estate area of Osogbo, the Osun State capital.

The Nation gathered that the child's mother, Iya Basira, is in critical condition after being mauled: she lost her daughter and her unborn child.

A resident of the area, who claimed he witnessed the attack, said the feral dogs escaped from an uncompleted building where they were kept by their owner.

They charged at Iya Basira as she walked with her daughter along a lonely path nearby.

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Alarmed, she piggybacked her daughter, but the dogs violently pulled the daughter off her back and began mauling the child.

Iya Basira tried to fight off the animals from her daughter but suffered a miscarriage in the process.

"While Iya Basira was trying to save her daughter from the dogs, they devoured her foetus.

"Before help could come, the two dogs were eating up the daughter.

"When we arrived at the scene, we chased the dogs away and rushed the mother to a hospital. The police have been informed," the witness told The Nation.

The witness gave his first name as Sikiru but declined to state his surname.

The Police are hunting the dogs' owner.

"We are aware of the sad occurrence and we have launched a manhunt for the owner of the two dogs," spokesperson of the Osun State Police Command, Yemisi Opalola, told The Nation.