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Man kills neighbour's kid, self in Ibadan

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Otunnibi community at Challenge area of Ibadan, Oyo State, was thrown into confusion on Thursday evening when a 35-year-old man, Sesan Adewumi, went berserk.

He killed a 13-year-old grandchild of his parents' neighbours and then went ahead to take his own life.

Sesan's father, Mr Josiah Adewumi, was said to have reported the matter at Orita-Challenge Divisional Police Station at about 3.00 a.m. on Friday.

Saturday Tribune gathered that the late father of two, who had no history of mental illness, exhibited psychiatric problem at about 7.45 p.m. when he began to attack his mother, wife and children with a stick.

The 13-year-old girl reportedly became a victim after she came to the residence of the Adewumis to buy fish for her grandfather. Sesan's mother is said to trade in fish.

The girl's nostrils and mouth were said to have bled after she was hit in the head with a stick by Sesan.

The insane man also tore the clothes of his mother, wife, children and the deceased teenager as he hit them with the stick.

The victims were said to have been rushed to a private hospital where doctors stabilised them but lost the battle to save the teenager.

She died at about 11.20 p.m.

The girl's mother is said to be deceased while her grandfather, who is suffering from stroke, had depended on her to run errands for him.

When he returned home, Sesan's father reportedly found his son dead with broken head where he was tied inside the house.

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He was suspected to have hit his head against an object, hence, the injury he sustained.

There were reports that his wife also had a psychiatric episode about six days before the Thursday incident.

The woman was said to have been taken to a white garment church for prayers and healing and was brought back to her parents-in-law's house to recover, which prompted the presence of Sesan and his children in the area in the first instance, as they lived in another part of the city.

She was yet to fully regain her sanity as of the time of the latest incident and had since disappeared from the house with her whereabouts unknown.

Saturday Tribune learnt that Sesan's mother was undergoing treatment as of the time of this report.

Confirming the incident, the police spokesperson in Oyo State, Olabisi Okuwobi-Ilobanafor, a Deputy Superintendent of Police, said the case would be transferred to the State Criminal Investigation Department (SCID), Iyaganku, for further investigation, while the corpses had been deposited at the state hospital mortuary.

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