

Court remands Osun bus driver for killing

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A Magistrates' Court, sitting in Osogbo, on Thursday, remanded a 37-year-old bus driver, Abiodun Sesan John, in Ilesa Prisons in Osun, for allegedly killing a passenger and attempting to bury him in the bush.

The court held that the accused should be kept behind bars, considering the magnitude of the offence committed.

Sesan, whose address was unknown, was facing a three-count charge of conspiracy, murder and theft. But his plea was not taken in court.

However, the prosecutor, Inspector James Idoko, informed the court that the accused conspired with his conductor now at large, to kill a passenger, identified as Yemi Kehinde, along Ile-Ife-Ibadan Expressway.

According to the prosecutor, "the accused attacked the deceased in a bid to cart away his planks. The accused was apprehended while trying to bury the deceased. It took the intervention of motorists and pedestrians to apprehend the accused before the arrival of the police."

Idoko further contended that the offences contravened Sections 319(1), 324, 383 (1) and 390 (9) of the Criminal Code, Laws of Osun, 2003.

The Magistrate, Mr Olusola Aluko, adjourned the case to February 16 for mention.