

# Policemen arrest 19-yr-old girl for co-worker's death

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**POLICEMEN** from Onipanu divisional police station in Onipanu area of Lagos have arrested a 19-year-old girl, who invited thugs to beat her co-worker to death, after a minor disagreement at their place of work.

The arrested suspect, Kadijat Salami, who had been transferred to the homicide section, Ogun State Criminal Investigations Department, had reportedly threatened to deal with 31-year-old Rotimi Ewedemi

Kadijat, however, insisted that she did not invite thugs, adding that she only called her boyfriend, who, in turn, brought some people to deal with the deceased

**Nigerian Tribune** gathered that Kadijat and the deceased were sent out on an assignment by a catering outfit but reportedly returned with some of the utensils missing.

A police source at Onipanu police station said "The two of them, the suspect and the deceased, were

sent out by their company with some cooking utensils but, when they came back, their supervisor checked what they took out and discovered that some of them were missing.

"There was an argument between them on who was responsible for the missing utensils and it degenerated into crisis."

The stepmother to the deceased, Mrs Idowu Oya-woye, told the **Nigerian Tribune** that "what they told me was that immedi-

ately after the crisis, the girl threatened to deal with my son and she was said to have made a call to that effect."

Rotimi was rushed to an unnamed hospital in Onipanu area of the state, after the attack on him, where he was given a first aid treatment, but the hospital was said to have discontinued the treatment, when it was not sure of who would be responsible for the payment of the hospital bill and Rotimi

died in the process.

A senior police officer at Onipanu police station, who pleaded anonymity, said, "it is a clear case of murder. We are still on the trail of the killers. We have arrested the girl that invited them but we will ensure that they are brought to book.

The image maker in charge of the state police command, Muyiwa Adejobi, also confirmed the incident, adding that investigations were ongoing.

## Kano spent N50bn on pension in 4 yrs —Kwanwaso

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KANO State governor, Dr Rabi'u Musa Kwankwaso, has said his government expended over N50 billion in the last four years as pension entitlements.

The governor said this on Monday, during the inauguration of three warehouses built by the Kano Pension Trustees Fund, at a cost of N298 million at the Kano Free Trade Zone, Panisau, Ungoggo Local Government Area of the state.

According to him, his administration succeeded in increasing pension allowance from N100 to a minimum of N5,000 monthly, by constituting a standing committee to address problems in pension settlements, in addition to renovating the state pension board's property under Public-Private Partnership.

Kwankwaso also said the state Pension Trustees Fund also invested N4 billion out of N30 billion for the construction of Kwank-

wasiyya, Amana and Bandirawo cities, while it had acquired property in Abuja and Lagos, which are currently managed by reputable firms.

The governor commended the state pension administrators as well as pensioners for assisting government in the quest to make lives better for the people

On the three warehouses, the governor stated that they were constructed at a cost of N298 million.