

Housewife allegedly stabs husband to death over *Baba Ijebu*

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FOR allegedly killing her husband, a 29-year-old housewife, Onyechukwu Akunne, was on Monday arraigned before an Ikeja High Court, Lagos State, for stabbing her husband, Abuchi Akunne, 35, to death with a kitchen knife. The accused, who was charged before Justice Josephine Efunkunbi Oyefeso, pleaded not guilty to a one-count charge of murder.

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According to the state prosecution, Mrs C. K. Tunji-Carena, Mrs Onyechukwu allegedly committed the offence on March 28, 2015 at 58, Idimu Road, Ejigbo, Lagos State.

She was accused of killing her husband, Abuchi Akunne, by stabbing him on the chest with a kitchen knife, which led to his death.

Onyechukwu was married to the deceased in 2012 and had a four-year-old girl with him.

Trouble started when the wife stated that her husband was fond of losing huge sums of money after playing *Baba Ijebu* (lotto).

It was gathered that on the day of the incident, at about 11.00 a.m while preparing lunch, her husband came back to the house feeling very angry and upset.

Mrs Akunne became angry after she found out that he had gambled and lost a huge sum of money.

She became very upset because her husband had failed to quit playing the said gamble.

Her attitude thereafter infuriated the deceased who reacted by slapping and beating her.

The deceased reportedly took a kitchen knife which the accused was using to

slice okro and attempted cutting her with it.

While they both started struggling with the knife, the accused pushed the knife into his chest and he fell on the floor.

The accused immediately ran outside the room to alert the neighbours for help.

The defence counsel, Mrs Q. U. Odudu informed the court that there was a pending application filed before the court.

The counsel informed the court that she had filed an application for a plea bargaining seeking a lesser offence and it was still being worked upon by the prosecution.

Justice Oyefeso further adjourned the matter for a report on the amended charges.

over 3 cars, other items

All the three vehicles were recovered and seven buyers of the vehicles were also arrested.

Also paraded were 12 sus-

pected rapists who committed the offence in Birnikudu, Maigatari, Gwaram and Jahun Local Government areas of the state.

Police arrest woman who specialises in duping traders in Ibadan