## Kidnap victim dies day after regaining freedom

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ONE of the six persons kidnapped nine days ago at Eleyin village, near Omu-Aran in Irepodun Local Government Area of Kwara State, Engineer David Alabi, is dead.

The family of Alabi had reportedly paid N4 million to secure his release from his abductors last Thursday.

However, Alabi died shortly after his release from the jungle where they were kept for days and subjected to tortures.

It was gathered that the deceased trekked not less than 11 kilometers to the main road at Oko, near Omu-Aran where he was said to have become exhausted and fell on the ground.

A close associate of the deceased said that Alabi, who was diabetic, could not access his drugs in captivity and was still subjected to beatings and torture to make him tell his relations to bring N30 million ransom earlier requested by the abductors.

It will be recalled that Alabi and six others in a *Toyota Sienna* vehicle were returning from a ceremony when they ran into the kidnappers.