Fear grips Osun residents as ritualists kill, pluck 65-year-old woman's eyes

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RESIDENTS of Ilesha in Osun State are now living in fear following the killing and plucking of the eyes of a 65-year-old woman, Mrs Oluyemi Tunmise, by suspected ritualists on her farm at Fadahunsi area of the town.

It was gathered that the woman had been declared missing since July 30 before her body was found by family members on her farm last Saturday with her two eyes plucked.

Confirming the development, the state Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO), Mrs Yemisi Opalola, said the incident was reported at the police station in Ilesha by one of the deceased's children, who identified himself as Dare Oluyemi, at about 1:00p.m., on Monday.

The police spokesperson, who said family members of the woman had been searching for her until her body was later discovered, revealed that the police had already visited the scene of the incident.

She said the police officers tried their best to take the corpse to the mortuary but the complainant and other children of the deceased refused, saying they wanted to bury the corpse without delay.

Mrs Opalola, however, promised that the police would get to the root of the matter.