

Man strangles lady to death

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THE State Criminal Investigation Department of the Lagos State Police Command is investigating a man (name withheld) for allegedly killing a lady, Toyin Alatishe, in Epe on Friday.

A police source said the report, made at Epe police station, showed that the suspect allegedly inflicted machete cuts on the victim in her room.

Apart from the machete cuts, the suspect, a resident of Lagbade Street, Epe, reportedly strangled the lady to death.

From the entries made at the station, the incident occurred at about 7.30am when most residents of the area were preparing to go out for the day's job.

As at press time, the cause of the row that led to the incident was not clear.

The command's spokesman, Mr. Olubode Ojajuni, a deputy superintendent of police, confirmed the incident to our correspondent on Monday.

He said the suspect was already in the custody of the SCID, Panti Street, Yaba, and that investigation into the case had started.

Meanwhile, men of the command, on Friday, recovered two locally made single-barreled guns, two live and one expended cartridges in separate spots in the state.

In the first case, anti-robbery policemen attached to Alakara police station, while on duty at Olosan on Agege Motor Road, Mushin, inter-

cepted three persons on a motorcycle.

When they were stopped for a search, the suspects reportedly jumped down from the motorcycle and fled from the scene.

The policemen who chased them later arrested one of them, Alao Odunlami, with one locally made single-barreled gun and one live cartridge while others escaped.

In the second case, a report was received at Elere

police station that a gang of armed men operating on Oko-Oba Road, Agege, abandoned a Nissan Primera saloon car marked DM 376 GGE.

By the time policemen arrived at the scene and searched the car, one locally made single-barreled gun, one live and one expended cartridges were recovered.

Ojajuni confirmed the separate incidents, saying that the SCID was investigating them.

Police arrest two *catch-in-the-air* robbers

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MEN of the Lagos State Police Command have arrested two men suspected to be members of a gang that specialises in robbing passengers inside commercial buses popularly called *catch-in-the-air* or *one chance*.

The suspects, Shita-Bay Yakubu and Adeyemi Adedoyin, both of no fixed addresses were arrested on Friday at Anthony in Lagos.

The command's spokesman, Mr. Olubode Ojajuni, told our correspondent on Monday that they were arrested by anti-robbery policemen attached to Shomolu police station who were on duty at Access Road, Anthony.

Ojajuni, a deputy superintendent of police, said the policemen sighted a driver of a Volkswagen commercial bus marked XG 140 KSF who was making a u-

turn in a suspicious manner.

He said the police team quickly ran towards the direction of the vehicle and arrested the two suspects while others escaped.

The police spokesman said a passenger in the bus, one Adebimpe Folami of Balogun Oyero Street, Ketu, told the policemen that she was robbed of a sum of money and one camera phone in the bus.

He said the State Criminal Investigation Department, Panti Street, was investigating the case.

Also on the same day, policemen attached to Satellite police station arrested two suspects who were allegedly operating on a motorcycle.

The suspects were said to have robbed a medical doctor of a Nokia mobile telephone estimated at N48,000 at Oluti on Badagry Expressway.