

Man stabs mentally deranged neighbour to death

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THE police in Lagos have a fresh task to identify the killer and the reason for the murder of a man whose name was given as Daniel Akanni.

Akanni, who was stabbed to death at about 2am on Friday, was believed to be a mentally deranged person and had been in that condition for about 18 years.

Our correspondent learnt that Akanni's relations had identified a man simply called Pero as the perpetrator of the dastardly act.

However, no witness has come forward to confirm that it was Pero who actually killed the victim just as the suspect is no-

where to be found.

The victim, a resident of Omolade Alafia Street, Somolu, was stabbed in the chest at a spot on Pedro Road, Somolu.

Neighbours who saw the man in a pool of blood alerted his relations and when they got to the scene, Akanni was already dead.

Someone who reportedly witnessed the incident informed the family members that it was Pero who stabbed Akanni.

The case was reported at the Somolu Police Station where the victim's relations told the police that the killer of their son was Pero.

Our correspondent learnt that prior to the incident, Akanni had always been playful with

everybody in the neighbourhood and had no reported case of violence.

However, findings showed that the police had neither been able to identify nor arrest the suspect, who is also said to be a resident of the area.

Spokesman for the Lagos State Police Command, Mr. Olubode Ojajuni, confirmed the incident to our correspondent on Sunday.

Ojajuni said the case had been transferred to the state Criminal Investigation Department, Panti, Yaba for investigation.

He noted that investigation would show whether Pero actually killed the victim or not and what transpired between both men that led to the killing.