

Jealous student stabs lover to death

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A student, Saheed Raji (23), who recently completed a National Diploma course in Accountancy at the Osun State Polytechnic, Iree, has stabbed his girlfriend, Ganiyat Oyewole (23), to death.

Investigation by our correspondent on Thursday, showed that the incident occurred on June 1, 2007 when the boyfriend met another student, Wale Ojerinde, in the room of the deceased in Iree.

Our correspondent gathered that Raji, who was incensed by the presence of Ojerinde in the deceased's room, called her outside and stabbed her.

It was gathered that Ojerinde, subsequently, rushed Oyewole to a hospital where she eventually gave up the ghost.

Oyewole was a Pre-ND Marketing student at the institution while Raji was in the school to check his result.

A student, who spoke with our correspondent in Iree on Thursday, said the polytechnic community was shocked at the development, stressing that the suspect was an easy-going student.

The student, who craved anonymity, said, "It was an unfortunate incident. Raji was a friendly student.

"Other students were congratulating him on the successful completion of his ND programme shortly before the incident occurred." The Police Public Relations Officer, Osun Command, Mr. Joshua Olayemi, who confirmed the incident, said the case would be brought to court.

He said, "The suspect said he did not intend to kill the girl but the worse has happened. We shall leave everything to the court to decide."

CLO, police disagree on arrest of teenagers

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THE Civil Liberties Organisation and police authorities have disagreed over the arrest of two teenage boys, Dare Oyedele and Femi Adeyemo, for alleged armed robbery.

The human rights group said it was wrong for the police to arrest and detain the 18-year-old youths for more than a week for an allegation without charging them to court.

Chairman of CLO in Osun State, Mr. Chijioke Nwasomba, in a telephone interview with our correspondent on Thursday, said the arrest and detention of the youths amounted to an infringement on their rights.

But the Police Public Relations, Officer, Osun Command, Mr. Joshua Olayemi, said the boys were being detained because investigations into the case were still in progress.

He said, "The boys said they saw and picked a telephone recharge card on the ground. A recharge card merchant, whose store was broken into, has claimed that the card the boys claimed they saw was his.

"More cards were found on the boys when their houses were searched. The position of the police is that the boys would be held responsible for the robbery except they proved that they picked the cards along the road."