Police probe death of rape victim

THE police in Ebonyi has said that it is investigating the death of a woman believed to have died after being sexually assaulted.

Mr. Frederick Nudam, the Police Public Relations Officer in the state, confirmed to the News Agency of Nigeria in Abakaliki at the weekend that the victim was a mother of seven children.

Nudam said that no arrests had been made and that investigations were yet

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to be concluded.

However, a source, said that the 48-year-old victim was found dead in her vegetable garden on January 28, 2008.

The source said the deceased had gone to water her garden at about 10 a.m. and after about two hours, people came to report that her corpse was seen lying in her garden.

"When we rushed to the scene, we saw her lifeless body, lying there with her clothes torn though no part of her body was cut off", the source said.