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Suspected ritualists hack man to death, two arrested

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The police in Lagos have a task to identify the killers of a man who was butchered by suspected ritualists.

The incident, which happened at about 2am on Tuesday at a spot on Iga-Iduganran Street, Lagos Island, stunned residents.

As at press time, the identity of the victim had not been ascertained, but he was believed to be an employee of Fullus Investment located on Iga-Iduganran.

What led to the killing of the victim was not known but it was learnt that the killers pursued him to the spot where he was macheted to death.

Some residents who observed the incident, reported it to the police in the area before the state Criminal Investigation Department, Panti, Yaba, was alerted.

Moments after the victim was killed, the spot was said to have been deserted. A police team, however, came to the scene.

Our correspondent learnt that the police got information that the killers were "traditionalists suspected to be ritual killers."

The police, on Tuesday, said they arrested two suspects in connection with the killing. They gave their names as Akeem Ejo and Waye.

In another circumstance, a man, John Mebele, allegedly murdered his wife by stabbing her in the buttocks.

The victim, Justina Mebele of 2, Oremeji Street, Oshodi, was said to have bled to death before she received medical help.

The husband was said to have fled immediately he discovered that he had murdered his wife.

The case was reported to the police, who visited the scene and took away the corpse.

However, as at press time, our correspondent learnt that the suspect had been arrested and was being interrogated at the SCID.

Spokesman for the Lagos State Police Command, Mr. Frank Mba, confirmed both incidents to our correspondent on Tuesday.

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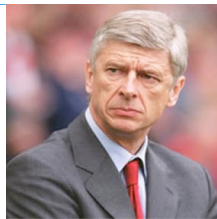
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