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Ebute Meta Chief Magistrate Court

An Ebute Meta Magistrate's Court has ordered that a 23-year-old man, Abdulazeez Lateef, be remanded in prison for allegedly stabbing his lover, Shrifat Adisa, 40, to death.

The police said Lateef stabbed the deceased with a knife at the Mile 12 area of Lagos.

It was learnt that the duo had been dating since 2010.

Lateef, who lives on Ojoola Street, Ejigbo, was said to be a frequent caller at the

deceased's apartment.

However, things turned sore between the lovers when the Oyo State indigene visited Adisa and allegedly saw a pair of trousers in her room.

He was said to have queried his lover and taken the trousers away, while she protested.

It was learnt that some months after taking the trousers away, Lateef decided to return it.

The late Sherifat was said to have insisted that Lateef put on the trousers first, suspecting he had cast a spell on it.

This was said to have led to an argument between them.

In a fit of anger, Lateef allegedly stormed out of the room and grabbed a knife from a trader outside the house, with which he stabbed the deceased repeatedly to death.

The investigating police officer, Inspector Okeowo John, said the defendant was arrested two days after the incident at Mile 12.

John added that the defendant confessed to the crime and was also arrested with an exhibit.

He however said there was need for further investigation.

Lateef was arraigned on one count of murder.

The charge read, "That you, Abdulazeez Lateef, on December 19, 2013, at 10am, at Alaba Market, Mile 12, Lagos, in the Lagos Magisterial District, did unlawfully kill one Sherifat Adisa, aged 40 years, by stabbing her on the back with a knife."

The police prosecutor, Ishola Samuel, said the offence was punishable under Section 221 of the Criminal Law of Lagos State, Nigeria 2011.

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The defendant's plea was not taken.

Samuel filed application for the remand of the defendant in prison pending the release of legal advice from the Directorate of Public Prosecution.

The magistrate, Mrs M.O Tanimola, agreed to remand Lateef in prison pending the legal advice.

The matter was adjourned till February 5, 2014.

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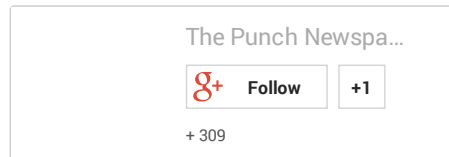
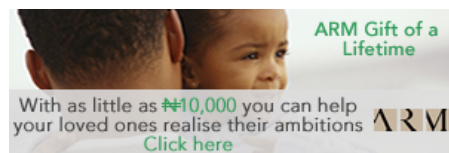
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