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An official of the Nigeria Security and Civil Defence Corps, Assistant Inspector Lasisi Iyanda, has been arrested and detained by the police for an alleged murder of an Islamic Religious Knowledge teacher, Kamaldeen Muritala,32.

Muritala, who worked at Titilope Islamic Comprehensive High School, Ejigbo, Osun State, was said to have been stabbed in the neck by Iyanda on June 27, 2014 following an argument between the duo close to the entrance of a hall where the National Examination Council examination was taking place.

A statement by the Force Public Relations Officer, Frank Mba, in Abuja on Sunday, said preliminary investigation by police detectives from the Osun State Police Command, Osogbo, revealed that the teacher died at Baptist Hospital, Ejigbo, from complications arising from fatal stab wounds inflicted on his neck

with a jack-knife by the NSCDC officer.

Mba said following the death of Muritala, students of the school attempted to raze down the NSCDC office as well as those of other government establishments in the area, adding that timely intervention of the police prevented further breakdown of law and order.

Mba, an Assistant Commissioner of Police, said, "The police high command commended the officers and men of the Osun State Police Command for their timely intervention which helped in the rescue of the 30-year old suspect, saved property from being destroyed and calmed what might have turned into a major catastrophe."

The police spokesman admonished citizens against taking the laws into their hands "no matter the provocation," promising that "justice would be served in this case."

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