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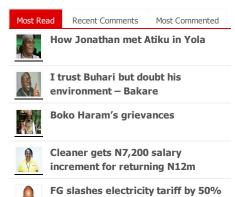
The body of a female worker with Silverbird Cinemas, Aishat Noble-Mustapha, has been recovered at her house in Ogudu GRA, Lagos State.

PUNCH Metro learnt that the 26-year-old lady was formerly in the communications department of the company's branch on the Victoria Island before she was recently posted to the box office section in the Ikeja Mall.

The Kogi State indigene had reportedly closed from work on Saturday, March 14, around 7.30pm, and got home, when she was murdered.

A source, who pleaded anonymity, said she was stabbed about 11 times in the stomach.

He said, "She works with the Silverbird Cinemas in Ikeja. She was even at work











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throughout last week.

"She closed from work on Saturday and when she got home, we learnt she was stabbed in the stomach 11 times by a lover, who she had a disagreement with.

"We don't know the motive for the crime, but we learnt it was a man she knew that killed her."

Another source told our correspondent that the corpse of Noble-Mustapha was taken to a mortuary in Yaba by policemen from the Ogudu Police Division.

When contacted, a worker at the customers service of Silverbird Cinemas, Ikeja, confirmed that the lady was his colleague.

He said, "Yes, she was working here. We discovered that she didn't come to work the day after the incident and when we made enquiries, we were told she was killed at her home.

"She had just alighted from her car and opened the gate to her house when she was killed."

The Silverbird Television, in a report on Tuesday, said she struggled with her assailant.

The report, which also featured statements from co-workers, said Noble-Mustapha was a well loved worker, who gave her best to the company.

It said, "She fought bravely to stay alive from what is left from the pool of blood (at the entrance into the house) and the gutter in which she fell as she struggled.

"Her flat was under lock and key while her car was parked on the permises."

It was said that the victim's parents were not based in Lagos and she had stayed with a guardian before moving to Ogudu.

Noble-Mustapha's guardian, Abubakar Haruna, told Silverbird TV, the family wanted justice.

He said, "Aishat's death is very painful and very unfortunate. It is one of the most painful news I have ever received.

"We want the law enforcement agents to help us unravel the mystery surrounding this cold-blooded death of my wife's niece."

The Police Public Relations Officer, Lagos State command, Kenneth Nwosu, confirmed the incident.

He said, "The suspect has been arrested. The case file and the suspect are going to the State Criminal Investigation Department for further probe.

"The police have also deposited the corpse in a mortuary."

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