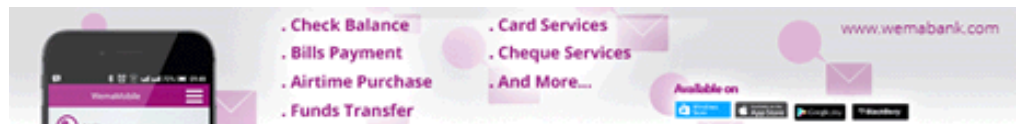


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The Iyaloja-General of Ijebuland, Alhaja Saidat Elewaju, has been assassinated.

She was said to have been hacked to death by six gunmen around 3pm on Wednesday. She was aged 82 years.

The octogenarian was reportedly first riddled with bullets before being cut with machete at her home in OGD Estate, Ikorin-Sabo, Ijebu Ode. She was thereafter left in a pool of blood.

Our correspondent gathered that her assailants did not steal any valuable in the house.

The police were later invited to the scene of the incident.

The state Police Public Relations Officer, Muyiwa Adejobi, said policemen initially rushed her to a hospital.

He said, "We got a report from our Ijebu Ode area headquarters that the Iyaloja of Ijebuland, Mrs. Saidat Elewaju, was hacked to death by suspected assassins in her home in the Sabo area of Ijebu Ode.

"Our men were informed and they went there. They found her in a pool of blood.

"She was rushed to the Olabisi Onabanjo University Teaching Hospital, Sagamu, Ogun State for medical attention.

"She was later transferred to the Lagos State University Teaching Hospital, Ikeja, Lagos, where she died."

She was said to have died around 11pm at LASUTH.

Adejobi said the command had commenced investigation into the killing, assuring residents of the state that the assailants would soon be arrested and made to face the wrath of the law.

He said, "The command will conduct a proper investigation into the incident and ensure that the culprits are brought to book.

"The command will also put a structure on ground to forestall the recurrence of such incident in the state."

Elewaju was said to have attended the Ramadan *Iftar* lecture held last Saturday at the Arcade Ground, Oke Mosan, Abeokuta, hosted by the state government.

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The deceased was installed as the Iyaloja-General of Ijebuland by the Awujale of Ijebuland, Oba Sikiru Adetona.

It was gathered that Elewuju had been buried according to Islamic rites in Ijebu Ode on Thursday.

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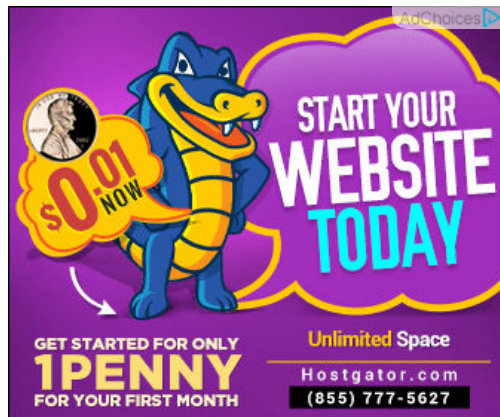
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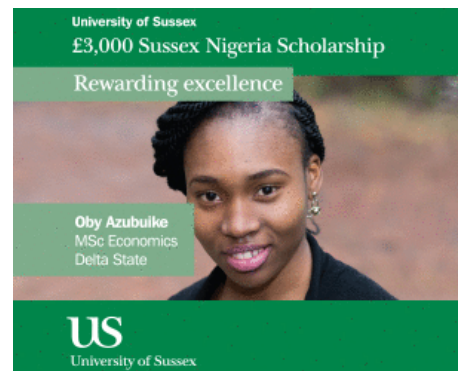
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