Man arrested for raping, murdering a virgin

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Sexual assault

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A 60-year-old man, identified as Emma Ukwa, has been arrested by a vigilance group at Amaekpu Ohafia, in the Ohafia Local Government Area of Abia State for allegedly raping and killing a 36-year-old woman.

A source told our correspondent that Ukwa, who raped his victim, identified only as Josephine, in a farm in the area on Friday, allegedly mocked the woman for being a virgin after defiling her.

The source said, "Ukwa confessed to have developed a lust for the lady after seeing her half naked while taking her bath in the village stream.

"Ukwa said he only wanted to have sex with the victim, but later killed her when she insisted that she would expose him."

It was gathered that Ukwa was exposed when a friend of the deceased went to the farm to find out what kept her back for a long time, but found her lifeless body there.

"The friend had met Ukwa on the way before seeing the victim's corpse. She came back and raised the alarm, prompting the Amaekpu Ohafia Vigilance Group to arrest Ukwa," the source added.

The Chairman of the vigilance group, Mr. Godwin Anya, said women of the community had staged a peaceful protest to condemn the act.

"The suspect has been handed over to the police," he added

rts made to contact the state Police Public Relations Officer, ASP Nta Ogbonaya, proved abortive as calls put across to his mobile phone indicated that it was reachable as of press time.

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