

Police hunt for nanny who stabbed employer to death

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The police have launched a manhunt for a nanny, Becky Johnson, who allegedly killed her employer, Yemisi Haasz, at her Asokoro, Abuja home, before fleeing with the victim's property.

The Federal Capital Territory police spokesman, Anjuguri Manzah, said the “police are working on the case,” adding that efforts were in top gear to apprehend the suspect.

Haasz was buried last Wednesday at Apo cemetery, Abuja.

A friend of the deceased, Ruby Galore, said the incident, which occurred on September 23, 2018, devastated her.

She explained that Haasz was home alone with her little daughter and Johnson when the murder took place.

She said Johnson stabbed Haasz in the face after hitting her with a pestle.

According to her, the fugitive nanny, after killing her boss, locked her corpse in a room with her daughter and fled with gold jewellery, hard currencies, phones and some human hair.

She said, “My friend was married to an Israeli and her husband is not always around. She lived in the house with her daughter and the maid, Becky Johnson.

“On the day of the incident, Becky attacked and locked her inside with her daughter, packed some of her valuables and ran away.”

Galore explained that security guards at the house initially prevented her from leaving, but Johnson managed to trick them and escaped from the area around 11pm.

“When she told the security guards that she was travelling to her village and needed to pack her things, they stopped her from moving out, insisting that Yemisi Haasz did not inform them that she was travelling.

“They called her phones but there was no response. Becky then told the guards that she wanted to go into the taxi to pick up her other phone so she can call her boss

and that was how she fled and has not been seen till date,” she said.

Galore stated that Haasz’ body was found in a pool of blood the next day after the door to her room was forced open by the guards on the instruction of her husband who was out of the country.

She expressed frustration over the slow pace of investigation into the murder, and expressed concern that Johnson, from Akwa Ibom state, might escape justice.