Command probes killing of Imo teenager by sergeant

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The Imo State Police Command, on Tuesday, said investigation into what led to the killing of 18-year-old Awuzie Duru by a police sergeant at Umuaka in the Njaba Local Government Area of the state, had commenced.

The sergeant, who is currently in custody, allegedly shot the victim dead for slapping him.

Speaking to our correspondent in Owerri, the Police Public Relations Officer in the state, Orlando Ikeokwu, said the killer cop was in custody contrary to speculations that he had fled.

The police spokesperson also said the state Commissioner of Police, Rabiu Ladodo, had ordered an investigation into the incident.

Ikeokwu said the command did not want to act based on assumptions.

According to him, a detailed investigation will determine what actually happened.

The police spokesperson assured the residents of the state that nothing short of justice would be served.

"No, he (sergeant) did not run away. He is with the command. We don't want to work on assumptions. The commissioner of police has constituted an investigative team. The aim is to get first-hand information on what actually happened," he stated.