

# Adamawa poly student arraigned pregnant girlfriend

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**T**HE Adamawa State Police Command has arraigned a student of the Federal Polytechnic, Mubi, Mumuni Abubakar, for allegedly killing his pregnant girlfriend, Franca Elisha, and burying her corpse in a shallow grave.

The command also arraigned two other accomplices, Huzaifa Shuaibu and Rabiu Adamu, for their roles in the incident.

Elisha, a Diploma student of the Department of Library Science, Federal Polytechnic, Mubi, was allegedly buried in a shallow grave after a failed

abortion attempt.

The state Police Public Relations Officer, DSP Suleiman Nguroje, said complaints by the victim's parents about her whereabouts led to investigations that uncovered the circumstances surrounding her death.

Abubakar, a resident of Unguwan Sanda in the Yola North LGA, allegedly impregnated the victim, but when he was informed, he insisted that the pregnancy must be removed.

The police First Information Report said, "He took the deceased to his room located



• The suspects

in the students' community behind the state university for

the clandestine abortion on August 6, 2021.

"To successfully carry out the planned abortion, the accused invited his friend and student of the College of Health and Technology, Mubi, Huzaifa Shuaibu, who administered a lethal dose of drugs and injections to induce the removal of the foetus in Franca's womb." The injections allegedly caused the victim some form of delirium, as she passed out.

Abubakar, in his confessional statement, said his girlfriend later regained consciousness.

"But in order to perfect the removal of the pregnancy, Shuaibu gave her another jab of the injection after she regained consciousness.

"Unfortunately, she fainted a second time and never

# Family petitions Ebonyi CP over death of 36-year-old son

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**T**HE family of Pa Amos Ibiam of Ezi Ndi-Ogudu, Ogwuma Edda community, in the Afikpo South Local Government Area of Ebonyi State, have petitioned the state Commissioner of Police, Aliyu Garba, over the alleged murder of their 36-year-old son, Kelechi.

The petition, dated Thursday, August 5, 2021, and signed by the elder brother of the deceased, Monday, and his stepmother, Mrs Felicia Aka Nkama, alleged that the deceased was killed in their compound.

"This gruesome murder of Kelechi happened around 6pm on Saturday, 31st July, 2021, in our family compound.

"We are worried that the late Kelechi, who resided in Lagos, a tailor by profession and who only visited home for the burial of his namesake, could be murdered in this manner by members of a group known as More Can Be Done, a killer squad that has been terrorising the community and enjoying the protection of the powers that be in Afikpo South LGA.

"We hereby appeal to you to use your good offices to intervene in the matter to ensure that the killers of Kelechi are brought to book,"

the petition read in part.

The Executive Chairman of Afikpo South LGA, Dr Eni Uduma Chima, however, stated that the deceased was not murdered as alleged by the petitioners.

He said, "The young man, while drinking in a beer parlour, had a problem with another person and they fought. The other person, Paul Okeunu, is well known in the community. In the course of the fight, he was said to have been beaten up. So, people from his place, his relatives, because they were right in his village, came out to support him. A young man who was an Okada rider carrying Paul Okeunu was also attacked and



• CP Garba

cut with a machete.

"Then, Kelechi ran to his father's compound, brought out a machete and used it to inflict cuts on many people. When the relatives of the

people he inflicted machete cuts on came, he saw them in their numbers and tried to escape.

"While he was running, because he was not familiar with his own village's terrain, being mostly based in Lagos, he ran to the back of an upstairs at the centre of Ogwuma and while running, he didn't know when he got to an embankment close to the road. He slipped, fell and hit his skull on the concrete road. He was rushed to a hospital, where he was pronounced dead."

He said a meeting was called by community leaders, and it was agreed that the death was an accident.

# for killing, burying

regained consciousness; she subsequently passed on," he added.

The suspects were said to have invited Adamu, another

colleague, to assist in disposing of Elisha's corpse.

Abubakar said, "We carried the corpse and buried it in a shallow grave with her handset

and national identity card, and continued with our normal life, pretending as if nothing happened."

# Delta police nab siblings, five o

Matthew Ochei, Asaba

**T**HE Delta State Police Command has arrested a 26-year-old suspected gang leader, Choice Macaulay; his brother, Junior Macaulay; and five others, for alleged robbery in the state.

The acting Police Public Relations Officer of the command, DSP Bright Edeke, stated this on Sunday in Asaba.

He said, "On August 18, while acting on information received that three armed men burgled a house on Old Benin Road, Oghara, around 2am, and made away with phones valued at N400,000, the Oghara Divisional Police Officer swung into action. Through an intelligence-led operation, the police arrested the suspects: Choice Macaulay, 26; Endurance Ejokirehie, 27; and Junior Macaulay, 21; at an Indian hemp joint.

"Items recovered from them included three phones, a dummy gun, and an iron rod used for the robbery."

"The suspects confessed to the crime and the victims identified the stolen phones as theirs. On further investigation, it was discovered that one of the suspects, Choice Macaulay, who is the leader of the gang, was arrested before and charged to court, but was later released."



• The suspects, exhibits

He said the suspects led the detectives to their hideout, where one locally-made gun and two live cartridges were dug out from the ground where they were buried.

# Decomposing corpse of m

Deji Lambo

**O**FFICIALS of the Lagos State Ministry of Health have recovered the decomposing remains of a yet-to-be-identified man from a bush in Odogunyan, in the Ikorodu area of the state.

PUNCH Metro gathered that the corpse was discovered when residents of the Oguntade Oloja community in Odogunyan started perceiving a stench emanating from the bamboo bush in the community.

In a bid to ascertain the cause of the odour, the residents were said to have combed the bush and saw the lifeless body



• Ikorodu area

A source said efforts to salvage the situation prompted the Chairman, Oguntade Oloja Community Development Association, Gbolahan Kolawole, to report the incident to the police.