

Suspected Lagos cultists kill begin probe

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THE mutilated corpse of a man suspected to have been killed by cultists has been recovered on Unity Street, Baruwa Estate in the Ipaja area of Lagos State.

PUNCH Metro gathered that residents were shocked upon sighting the body of the yet-to-be-identified man on the street on Friday.

They were said to have contacted the police, who recovered the remains and deposited them in a mortuary.



• Unity Street

A source in the community said the body

was filled with wounds. "From what we gathered, after the man was killed, his eyes were plucked out. Marks indicating that he was attacked with a cutlass were also seen," the source said.

A picture showing the remains of the victim lying motionless on the street was seen by our correspondent.

However, there was nothing to show his eyes were removed.

Former victim bags one-

Adeyinka Adedipe, Benin

A 24-year-old human trafficker, Ese Edomwonyi, has been sentenced to one-year imprisonment.

Edomwonyi, who was a former victim of human trafficking, was rescued from the Seme border in Lagos

The victim wore a blue top and brown trousers.

Confirming the incident, the state Police Public Relations Officer, Benjamin Hundenyin, said investigation to unravel the events that led to the death was ongoing, adding that the corpse had been deposited in a mortuary.

He said, "A male body was found on Unity Street on Friday around 5am. The police took statements from the person whose house is close to the place of the incident. The person, Alfa, said he woke up in the middle of the night to find the lifeless body right in front of his house.

"He said it had not been there for long when the police were informed. The person has since been released because there was no link or reasonable evidence against him; but he'll be invited for further questioning when the need arises. Investigation is still ongoing as no family has identified or claimed the corpse."

The General Manager

State a few years ago while being taken out of the country.

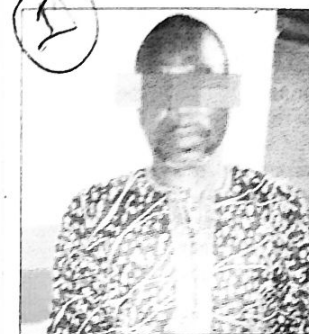
A statement by the Commander, National Agency for the Prohibition of Traffic in Persons and other related matters, Benin Zonal Command, Nduka Nwanwenne, said Edomwonyi, a housewife and mother of five, was arraigned

man, police

of the Lagos State Neighbourhood Safety Agency, Ifalade Oyekan, also confirmed the incident.

"The cause of the death of the young man is yet to be unravelled as an investigation is ongoing," he said.

Two robbers nabbed for snatching motor



• The suspects

Daud Olatunji, Abeokuta



Abimbola Oyeyemi, disclosed this in a statement on Sunday.

MEN of the Ogun State Police Command have arrested two suspected robbers who allegedly snatched a motorcycle and killed the rider.

The suspects, Hammed Ismail and Osoba Yakubu, were arrested following a report at the Sango police divisional headquarters on March 15, 2022, by one Buhari Salu.

The state Police Public Relations Officer, DSP

Oyeyemi explained that the father of the victim reported at the police station that his 25-year-old son, Yusuf Buhari, who left home with his motorcycle a day before, was found dead in an uncompleted building at Araromi village via Ilogbo town, and his motorcycle was nowhere to be found.

The PPRO said, "Upon the report, the DPO, Sango-Ota, SP Saleh Dahiru, detailed his detectives to the scene, where

year imprisonment for human

before Justice Irele Ifeje of the Edo State High Court, Benin City.

The statement said she was charged with engaging in acts of trafficking in persons contrary to Section 13 (4) of the Trafficking in Persons (Prohibition) Enforcement and Administration Act 2015.

The defendant pleaded

guilty to the offence.

He said, "Mrs Edomwonyi, who is also known as Mama Gift, recruited a 14-year-old girl for her sister, Lovette, who resides in Burkina Faso.

"On arrival in Burkina Faso, the victim was subjected to beatings, denial of food and slavery when she objected initially to engaging in

ands herdsman for alleged pt to kill Ekiti farmer

(defendant) with cows destroying my plantation and I begged him to leave the farm.

"Suddenly, some other herdsmen appeared from the bush and surrounded me. While I was trying to escape, the herdsman (defendant) cut me with a machete in the head. My shout for help attracted other farmers, who came to my rescue.

"While other herdsmen escaped with the cows, he was arrested with the machete while he was also trying to escape. I was later taken to a hospital."

The police prosecutor, Olubu Apata, said the offence was punishable under

Section 320 of the Criminal Code Cap. C16, Laws of Ekiti State, 2012.

Apata urged the court to remand the defendant to allow the police to complete their investigation and forward the duplicate case file to the Director of Public Prosecutions for legal advice.

The Chief Magistrate, Kehinde Awosika, who granted the application, said, "The defendant is hereby ordered to be remanded in the custody of the Nigeria Correctional Services, Ado Ekiti, pending issuance of legal advice from the DPP.

The case was adjourned till April 18, 2022, for mention.