

Lagos nurse remanded for conducting surgery, killing patient

A Yaba Chief Magistrates' Court in Lagos State, on Thursday, remanded a 39-year-old nurse, Lawrence Omatule, for allegedly performing illegal surgery on a woman, which led to her death.

PUNCH Metro had reported that Omatule

performed surgery on a fibroid patient, Fatimoh Isa, at the Feloban Alpha Convalescent Home, Mafoluku, Oshodi, Lagos State.

The victim died shortly afterwards, leading to the arrest of the suspect.

The News Agency of Nigeria reported that

Omatule was arraigned on two counts of conspiracy to commit murder and murder.

The court did not take his plea, as the Chief Magistrate, Mrs Adeola Adedayo, said she needed advice from the Lagos State Directorate of Public Prosecutions.

She ordered that the defendant be kept in the Ikoyi Custodial Centre pending the DPP's advice.

Earlier, the police prosecutor, ASP Rita Momah, told the court that the defendant committed the offences on April 1.

According to the prosecutor, the defendant has accomplices but they are yet to be found.

The alleged offences contravene sections 221 and 223 of the Criminal Law of Lagos State, 2015.