Mentally-ill man kills youth seeking N20,000 bounty, flees

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A youth in his early 20s, Chukwunonso Odo, has been stabbed to death by a mentally-ill man, Wisdom Solomon, in Asaba, Delta State.

PUNCH Metro gathered that the incident occurred on Tuesday on Nnebisi Road by Umuagu Quarters.

An eyewitness told our correspondent that the suspect had a fight with his father, who sustained injuries and declared him wanted after he fled the house.

"So, the father placed a N20,000 bounty on him for anybody who would catch him.

"Immediately, people went after him, including Chukwunonso. The victim caught him. Unknown to Chukwunonso, the suspect had a knife with him and he was stabbed," the source said.

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Another resident said, "I quickly rushed to the scene and saw Chukwunonso on the ground in a pool of blood; we carried him inside a tricycle to a hospital.

"On arrival at the hospital, the doctor confirmed him dead and he was moved to a mortuary."

The state Police Public Relations Officer, DSP Bright Edafe, confirmed the killing, adding that the suspect could not be arrested.

He said, "The suspect is mentally ill. How can we arrest a mad man? He ran away after stabbing the victim."