Man stabs 23-year-old debtor to death in Lagos

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HE Lagos State Police
Command has arraigned
a man, Bitrus Wurawa, for
allegedly stabbing a 23-year-old
man, Ezekiel Yohana, to death
with a jackknife at Kara Market,
in the Ibeju-Lekki area of the
state.

Wurawa was arraigned before Magistrate P. E Nwaka on one count bothering on murder on Thursday.

Our correspondent gathered that the deceased borrowed N14,000 from the defendant in January and promised to pay in a few weeks, but he failed to do so despite several pleas from the defendant.

They were said to have met at Kara Market on on a fateful day and Yohana asked for his money.

In the scuffle that ensued, the deceased reportedly brought

out a knife and the defendant snatched the knife from him and stabbed his back and hand.

Eyewitnesses who saw the deceased bleeding were said to have rushed him to the Epe General Hospital where he was confirmed dead by the doctor on duty.

One Omotayo was said to have reported the case to the Akodo Police Division from where it was transferred to the State Criminal



• The court

Investigation Department, Panti, Yaba.

In court, the prosecutor,

Thomas Nurudeen, stated that the defendant committed the crime on March 8, 2023.

He further stated that the offence contravened Section 222 and is punishable under Section 233 of the Criminal Laws of Lagos State, Nigeria, 2015.

The charge read, "That you, Bitrus Wurawa, on March 18, 2023, around 6.23 pm at Kara Market, Ibeju Lekki, Lagos, in the Lagos Magisterial District

did unlawfully killed one Ezekiel Yohana, 23. by stabbing him with a jackknife."

Nurudeen prayed the court to remand the defendant to the correctional centre pending legal advice from the Directorate of Public Prosecution.

The magistrate, Nwaka, therefore remanded the defendant to the Ikoy Correctional Centre pending legal advice from the DPP.

Nwaka adjourned the case ti May 5, 2023.