

52-year-old Edo man dies during fight with debtor

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Operatives of the Edo State Police Command have arrested a 21-year-old man identified as Ononomeh Badamasi over the circumstances surrounding the death of a 52-year-old man, Orumidayo Awolowo, who went to demand money owed him.

The incident was said to have happened in the Ogbeh community, Igarra Akoko-Edo Local Government Area of the state.

The state Police Public Relations Officer, SP Chidi Nwabuzor, disclosed this in an interview on Monday.

He noted that the suspect was arrested by men of the Igarra Police Division following a complaint from the deceased's brother who said the suspect bought a knife from the deceased and failed to pay the money and that the incident happened when the deceased asked to be paid.

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Nwabuzor said, "The Edo State Police Command has arrested Ononomeh Badamasi for allegedly killing a 52-year-old man, Orumidayo Awolowo, who went to demand money owed him.

"A fight was said to have ensued between the two and the deceased was said to have fallen and died."

He said the police stormed the scene and discovered that three houses and one motorcycle were set ablaze by angry youths as a result of the incident.

According to the PPRO, the suspect has confessed to the crime, adding that the corpse had been deposited at a mortuary for autopsy.