

Fake doctor held over Osun pregnant woman's death

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A doctor

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A 32-year-old Senior Secondary School Certificate Examination holder, Saheed Oladiti, alleged to be claiming to be a medical doctor, has been arrested by the Osun State Command of the Nigeria Security and Civil Defence Corps over the death of a pregnant woman in Ororuwo town.

Oladiti, it was alleged, delivered the woman of a baby, after which she developed complications leading to her eventual death.

The spokesperson for the Osun NSCDC, Kehinde Adeleke, in a statement obtained in Osogbo on Thursday, further said the suspect had been operating an unlicensed clinic in Ororuwo for over six years and two months.

Adeleke also said the suspect was engaging in the training of medical personnel at the cost of N5,000 per trainee.

The NSCDC spokesperson, in her statement, further said, “While making his confessional statement, the suspect, Oladiti Toyin, said on April 15, 2024, a pregnant woman with nine months and three weeks pregnancy, visited his hospital popularly known as Oloruntoyin Clinic at No 2, Lakewu Area, Ororuwo, Boripe Local Government Area, Osun State.

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“According to him, the pregnant woman could not continue her antenatal care at her previous hospital because she had a misunderstanding with her husband. The self-acclaimed doctor said he checked her blood pressure which was low and gave her some drugs. He thereafter asked her to come back whenever she fell into labour.

“On Thursday, April 18, 2024, the woman began to experience labour symptoms and was in the hospital, where she was delivered of a baby. The victim developed some complications shortly after and was later rushed to a nearby licensed hospital where she was pronounced dead on arrival.”

Commenting on the incident, the Osun NSCDC Commandant, Dr Michael Adaralewa, assured members of the public that the suspect would be made to face the full wrath of the law upon the conclusion of the investigation.

While calling on members of the public to be mindful of medical institutions they visit whenever they need to attend to their health, called on the residents to report quacks parading themselves as medical experts to security agencies for prompt action.