Police probe teenager's body found buried in Lagos apartment

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The Lagos State Police Command has launched an investigation after the body of 17-year-old Adeolu Olubade was found buried in a shallow grave inside an apartment on Jesus Assembly Omoguwa Street, in the Ejigbo area of the state.

PUNCH Metro learnt on Thursday that a 30-year-old suspect. (name withheld) linked to the crime had been arrested and detained by the police command.

The spokesperson for the state command, Benjamin Hundeyin, confirmed this to *PUNCH Metro* on Thursday.

Our correspondent learnt that the crime was believed to have occurred between 4:00 pm and 7:00 pm on September 2, 2024.

Hundeyin noted that the grieving family identified the 30-year-old suspect as being responsible for the heinous crime.

Lagos State Police Public Relations Officer, SP Benjamin Hundeyin

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He said, "On September 3, 2024, at about 8:00 am, a family member of the deceased approached and reported at the station that his 17-year-old cousin was discovered dead and buried in one of the rooms at Jesus Assembly Street, Omoguwa Street, Ejigbo.

"They suspected the crime was carried out by a 30-year-old suspect of the same address between 4:00 pm and 7:00 pm. Based on this report, a team of detectives was dispatched to the crime scene and took photographs of the shallow grave before the corpse was exhumed.

"The body has been taken to the Isolo General Hospital for a postmortem examination. The suspect mentioned has been apprehended, and the shovel suspected to have been used to bury the victim has been recovered, taken to the station, and registered as an exhibit.

The command spokesperson added that the suspect would be transferred to the State Criminal Investigation Unit at Alagbon for further investigation.

PUNCH Metro reported in October 2023 on the alleged killing of a 31-year-old woman named Foejiro Ojite, who was reportedly murdered in her apartment in the Agiliti area of Ketu, Lagos, on July 27, 2023.