Police probe murder of 16-year-old boy on football pitch

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The Ogun State Police Command has begun an investigation into the alleged murder of 16-year-old Jamilu Lasisi in the Ibegba area of the Sagamu Local Government Area of the state.

omolola Odutola Dect, known as Alex Eziochukwu, had been apprehended for the alleged murder of the teenager, our correspondent learnt on Wednesday evening that a probe to unravel the circumstances behind the incident had commenced.

PUNCH Metro reported on Wednesday that the suspect, Eziochukwu, was arrested following a tip-off received from an informant at about 4:00 am.

The state command's spokesperson, Omolola Odutola, who confirmed Eziochukwu's arrest, said there was an argument between him and the deceased leading to a confrontation on Tuesday.

While the fight was going on, our correspondent learnt that the victim fell on the football pitch before he was declared dead after he was rushed down to the hospital for medical attention.

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After the death of the teenager had been confirmed by a doctor, the suspect was said to have fled, leading the police to launch a manhunt, which subsequently led to his arrest on Wednesday morning.

Odutola said, "A phone call was received from one Tobi Olarewaju that his nephew, Jamiu Lasisi, 16 years old, of the same address, was playing football in the area alongside others.

"In the process, an argument ensued between him and one of the footballers; he fell unconscious, and he was rushed to Owokoniran Hospital, GRA Sagamu, where he was confirmed dead by a medical doctor on duty.

"Following the report on Tuesday, a team of detectives was led to the scene, searching every nook and cranny of the area to arrest the suspect, but all to no avail."

She added that the evacuation of the corpse from Owokoniran Hospital to the mortuary was underway.

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