

Man arrested for stabbing lover to death in Rivers

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The police have arrested a man simply identified as ‘Doctor’ for stabbing his lover, known as Ima, to death in Okereke Street in Mile 1, Diobu, Port Harcourt, the Rivers State capital, on Sunday night, over allegations of infidelity.

Reports say the man had accused his lover of cheating on him, leading to an altercation between them.

A resident in the area who pleaded anonymity due to the sensitive nature of the incident told *PUNCH Metro* on Monday that the argument rose to a fever pitch as the man reached for a knife and stabbed the woman, who bled to death.

He said, “There was a crowd in the compound because of what happened. So, the caretaker of the compound quickly rushed to the Azikiwe Police Division in Mile 2, Diobu, to make a formal complaint on the matter and the man was arrested.”

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Meanwhile, our correspondent observed a mammoth crowd of sympathisers and onlookers who gathered outside the Azikiwe Police Division on Monday morning when the corpse of the lady was brought to the station.

Our correspondent observed that the lady's corpse was later taken to an undisclosed mortuary by the police, a few minutes after it was brought to the station.

When contacted, the spokesperson for the Rivers State Police Command, Grace Iringe Koko, confirmed the incident and the arrest of the suspect to *PUNCH Metro*.

Iringe-Koko added, "As we speak, the Commissioner of Police, Olugbenga Adepoju, has ordered the immediate transfer of the case to the State Criminal Investigation and Intelligence Department in PortHarcourt for discreet probe."