

Fleeing lover's suspected killer nabbed in Rivers

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The Rivers State Police Command said its men have arrested a 23-year-old man identified as Kingsley Chinamezu, who macheted his 44-year-old female lover, Miss Confidence Konebari Sunny, to death in the Umuebulu Community, Etche Local Government Area of the state.

The police said that in an attempt to evade justice, the suspect fled to Edo State to inflict more pain on the deceased's family and boasted that nothing would happen to him.

The spokesperson for the state Police Command, Grace Iringe-Koko, confirmed the arrest.

Iringe-Koko said following a formal complaint by the family of the deceased, the police

Anti-Kidnapping Unit swung into action, traced the suspect in his hideout and apprehended him on Friday.

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The statement described the arrest as a 'significant breakthrough' in combating violent crimes and criminality in the state.

It partly reads, "Following the gruesome murder of Miss Confidence Konebari Sunny, a 44-year-old woman who was brutally macheted to death by her boyfriend, one Kingsley Chinamezu, aka Power Sharp, a 23-year-old male from Ogbor Hill, Abia State, on July 30, 2025, in the Umuebule Community, Etche LGA, operatives of the command attached to the Anti-Kidnapping Unit, utilising technical intelligence, have successfully apprehended the suspect.

"After committing the heinous crime, the suspect fled to Egbeta village in Edo State and began issuing further threats to the victim's family members, boasting that he could still harm them without consequences.

"Upon a formal complaint by the victim's family and proactive efforts by the operatives of the command, the Commissioner of Police assigned the case to the Anti-Kidnapping Unit.

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"The operatives swiftly swung into action, located and arrested the suspect on August 15, 2025, in his hideout at Egbeta village, Edo State.

"Upon interrogation, the suspect voluntarily confessed to the crime, murder."

She stated further that "evidence is being collected, and the suspect is for potential involvement in other related crimes. The suspect will be investigated."

Meanwhile, the Commissioner of Police, Olugbenga Adepaju, has commended his men for the swift response and diligence leading to the suspect's arrest.

Adepaju emphasised that the command under his watch would make life uncomfortable and uninhabitable for criminal elements in the state.

He assured the public of the Command's 'unwavering' commitment to ensuring justice as well as the protection of lives and property.

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Adepoju, however, warned perpetrators of crimes to desist from such wicked acts, noting that the law will definitely catch up with them within the shortest time possible and will be made to face the full wrath of the law.