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Tenant Killed Over PHCN Bill

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A 66-year old driver, Lasisi Saka has been murdered inside his one-room apartment at 31, Ekimogun Street, Off Kokumo Street, Moshalasi, Alimosho near Iyana Ipaja, Lagos State, southwest Nigeria.

Residents told *P.M.NEWS* correspondents that they suspected that Saka, a father of two who lived alone in his room was murdered by a co-tenant who had been arrested by the police.

They argued that the suspect had been engaged in quarrels over Power Holding Company of Nigeria, PHCN electricity bills in the past.

The deceased's neighbours also alleged that the suspect's wife also quarrelled with the late driver, adding that the suspect once beat up Saka which led to his arrest and detention at Gowon Estate Police Station.

The late driver's brother, Akinbowale Emmanuel told P.M.NEWS that Saka had several times reported to his family that the suspect had threatened his life over payment of PHCN bill and sundry issues.

He said: "Saka's first wife died some years ago. On Saturday, he called the woman he is now courting to bring him food that evening. But the woman said it was late that day.

"When the woman got to the house the next day, she saw Saka drenched in his blood.

She screamed and called his friend, a pastor, on phone. It was his friend that called me when he saw him dead. I went with a friend to confirm his death and it was glaring that he was murdered."

The suspect was eventually arrested and he has been transferred to the State Criminal Investigation Department, C I D, Panti, Yaba Lagos for further investigation.

Meanwhile, the deceased has been buried in Abeokuta, Ogun State.

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