

Man kills mother in Enugu, another slaughters daughter in Benue

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IE police in Enugu State said it has arrested a 50-year-old man, Emeka Pius, a native of Eziokewu community in Nkanu West Local Government Area of the state, for allegedly killing his 9-year-old mother, Helen Pius. A statement issued by the State Police Public Relations Officer, RO, Ebere Amaraizu, yesterday, said the unfortunate incident happened on Wednesday, November 7 when the suspect had quarrels with his mother over a yet to be discovered issue.

Similarly, tragedy struck in Benue State as John Depuun on Wednesday hacked his nine-

months-old daughter to death saying it was a sacrifice he made as directed by God. The man, who is currently cooling his heels in custody, has continued to insist that he had done no wrong as God had directed him to take the life of the little baby.

According to Amaraizu, on that fateful day, Emeka Pius had allegedly hacked down his mother identified as Helen Pius, over a yet to be established issue/issues.

"It was further gathered that on receipt of the report, security operatives from Nkanu West Division of the Nigeria Police Force Enugu State Command promptly rushed to the scene and where the victim was seen lying down in her pool of blood, with injuries

all over her head and very unconscious.

"The operatives immediately rushed the victim to Agbani District Hospital for medical attention from where she was confirmed dead," he said.

The PPRO said that the corpse of late Ma Helen Pius has been deposited at the District Hospital Agbani for post mortem examination while investigations have commenced in full scale.

Meanwhile, Depuun was said to have snatched his daughter from his wife and took her to a bush in Mbangur, Tse-Agberagba, Konshisha LGA of Benue State, where he hacked her to death. Sources said that he wasted no time in confessing what he had done with the

baby, saying he was only obeying God's directive to him to take the life of his daughter.

"It is my sheep and I decided to sacrifice it to God as demanded of me. I have not laid my hands on anyone's child and as such, should not be condemned," Depuun reportedly said.

Daily Sun gathered that although family members allege that Depuun is mentally unstable, he has denied the claim, saying he is in his right senses.

When contacted, the Benue State Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO), DSP Moses Yamu, confirmed the report. He said the man had been arrested and investigation was ongoing in the matter.

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