

Scavenger allegedly kills house owner in Ondo

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MEN of the Ondo State Police Command have arrested a 39 year-old scavenger, Basiru Ibrahim, for allegedly killing a -year-old

man, Arise Ikuesan, in Ore, the headquarters of Odigbo Local Government Area of the state.

It was gathered that Ikuesan died from the injury sustained in the attack that occurred on September 13, 2021, when he was allegedly

beaten by a scavenger.

Spokesperson of the Ondo State Police Command, Funmi Odulami, said the landlord was attacked for trying to stop the scavenger from picking iron rod in his compound.

She said: "On September 13, 2021, at about 1600hrs, a report was made at Ore divisional headquarters that a scavenger, Basiru Ibrahim, aged 39, hit an iron rod on the forehead of one Arise Ikuesan, who was 45 years old (now deceased) after trying to stop the scavenger from picking iron rod in his compound.

"Upon the receipt of the information, detectives swung into action and arrested the suspect," Odulami said.

She said the suspect confessed committing the crime and has been charged to court for prosecution.

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noted further that over-speeding, route violation, and deplorable roads were some of the factors responsible for the accidents.

He also stated that poor visibility during night travelling, especially along various highways that include the Lagos-Ibadan Expressway, Ibadan-Ife Road, Ibadan-Oyo Road, Oyo-Ogbomosho Road, Ife-Ilesha-Akure-Owo Road as well as Benin-Lagos Expressway also contributed

to the road mishaps.

Abe enjoined motorists to refrain from driving under the influence of drugs and alcohol, avoid making calls while driving, avoid reckless driving, and unplanned trips that would prevent them from putting their health status into consideration. He also urged drivers to ensure that their vehicles are in good condition before embarking on any trip.

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