

Man refuses to pay after sex, kills prostitute



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A man, Mr. Babatunde Damilare, has reportedly killed a sex worker in Lagos during a squabble over non-payment for services.

Damilare was arrested by detectives attached to the Homicide Section of the State Criminal Investigations and Intelligence Department (SCIID), Panti, Yaba, Lagos.

The incident occurred at the Surulere area of Lagos. It was learnt that on November 6, about 10.30p.m., policemen at Surulere Police Station received information that a commercial sex worker, identified simply as Elochukwu, had engaged her customer, Damilare, in a fight over the price of sexual services she rendered at Edo Inn Hotel, Number 17, Atan Street, Empire, Surulere.

The state Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO), DSP Bala Elkana, said during the scuffle, Damilare picked a knife and allegedly stabbed Elochukwu several times on her neck, leading to her death.

He said: "The suspect was, however, arrested by Homicide detectives led by the Divisional Police Officer (DPO) in charge of Surulere, a Chief Superintendent of Police (CSP), Adebayo Adeoya. The body of the deceased was later evacuated and deposited at Mainland Hospital morgue, Yaba, for autopsy."

Elkana, however, said the suspect would be charged to court.

Meanwhile, a 35-year-old man has been arrested for allegedly defiling a five-year-old girl at the Bariga area of Lagos State.

It was learnt that on November 5, about 3.15p.m., policemen from Bariga Police Station arrested Bunmi Adeyemi (35), residing at Number 8, Alhaji Alake Street.

The suspect was said to have been arrested by a team of detectives from the Family Support Unit for allegedly defiling the minor. During interrogation, the suspect confessed to the crime.

Elkana said the victim was later taken to Mirabel Centre, Ikeja, for medical treatment and forensic examination.

The PPRO added that the command's Gender Unit had taken over the investigation and that the suspect would also be charged to court.

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