

Jealous housewife sets husband's mistress ablaze in Ogun

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A 32-year-old housewife, Kehinde Abdul Wasiu, has been arrested by men of Ogun State Police Command for allegedly setting her husband's mistress, one Tosin Olugbade, ablaze.

Kehinde, a mother of three, allegedly poured petrol on the 23-year-old mistress and subsequently set her ablaze, leading to her death.

The Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO) of the command, Abimbola Oyeyemi, confirmed the suspect's arrest to journalists in Abeokuta, yesterday.

According to Oyeyemi, the suspect was arrested following a report lodged at Onipanu divisional headquarters, Ota area of the state, by the husband of the deceased, one Fatai Olugbade.

The husband told the police that, he and his wife had been separated, saying: "I suspected her of having an extra marital affair with one Ismail Wasiu and I confronted her, but to my surprise, she packed out of the house and moved to the house of her concubine."

The husband stated further that, on November 14, his wife and Wasiu's first wife, had an argument "and Wasiu's wife poured petrol on her and set her ablaze."

"She was rushed to the hospital by her family members, but later gave up the ghost while receiving treatment," the husband said.

Oyeyemi explained that, following the report, the DPO of Onipanu division, CSP Bamidele Job, quickly mobilised his men and moved to the scene where Wasiu, who had told the suspect to run away was arrested.

"The case was transferred to homicide section of the state criminal investigation and intelligence department for discreet investigation."

"The CSP Femi Olabode led homicide team embarked on technical and intelligence based investigation, which led to the apprehension of the suspect, Kehinde Abdul Wasiu at Saki area of Oyo State."

"On interrogation, the suspect confessed to the commission of the crime, but claimed that she didn't know what came over her on that fateful day," the PPRO said.