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Anambra: Brother kills brother with rat poison over land dispute

A middle-aged man, Kosara Ugwuaka of Akala Village in Ezinifite, Nnewi South Local Government Area of Anambra State, has publicly confessed to

being responsible for the mysterious death of his elder brother, Chukwudi Ugwuaka.

Ugwuaka, who was initially denying that he knew

anything about or having anything to do with his brother's death, eventually confessed to the crime when he was taken to a shrine at Nando in Anambra East Local Government Area, to swear before the deity, alongside another villager (his nephew), simply identified as Herbert, whom he (Kosara Uduka) was accusing of being responsible for his brother's death.

However, New Telegraph learnt that the incident happened during this year's Easter period, while the deceased was eventually confirmed dead on April 27, 2022, after battling a series of mysterious illnesses, and going from one hospital to the other, struggling to save his life, which all proved abortive.

His younger brother, Kosara Ugwuaka, who actually masterminded the death of his brother was therefore said to have started accusing his nephew, Herbert of being responsible for his brother's death, because they all live in the same family house.

issued yesterday by the state chapter of the party.

According to the document signed by the state Publicity Secretary of the party, Ohabuenyi Ibuchukwu Ezike, and which a copy was made available to New Telegraph, "Hon. Chijioke Edoga is the gubernatorial flag bearer of the Labour Party in Enugu State.

The statement added: "The attention of the Labour Party, Enugu State chapter, has been drawn to fictitious information and rumour making its rounds, alleging that Chijioke Jonathan Edoga is no longer the candidate of our party for the 2023 general election in Enugu State, or that his candidature has not been approved by the party.

Edoga remains our undisputed Enugu LP standard-bearer

Contrary to rumours in some quarters that Mr. Chijioke Edoga, is no longer the Enugu State governorship candidate of the opposition Labour Party (LP) for the 2023 general election, the leadership of the party has dismissed the speculation, describing it as 'fictitious rumour.'

It, however, made it clear that Edoga, a former member of the House of Representatives and immediate past Commissioner for Environment in the state, who recently defected from the Peoples Democratic Party (PDP) for the Labour Party remains its governorship flag-bearer for the 2023 general election.

The clarification was contained in a statement

2023: Pray for successful general elections, Shaibu urges Edo pilgrims

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The Edo State Acting Governor, Philip Shaibu, has charged Edo State Pilgrims to Jerusalem/Israel for the 2022 pilgrimage to pray for Nigeria ahead of the 2023 general election.

Shaibu gave the charge while addressing the state pilgrims to the holy land, urging them to be good ambassadors of the state, as they pray for the state and the country over its many challenges.

The Chairman of the Christian Association of Nigeria (CAN), Bishop Oyenude Kure, is leading 13 others on the pilgrimage and would be assisted by three other officials including the Secretary of Edo State Christian Welfare Board, Lady Brenda Ezekiel.

The acting governor said: "Be good ambassadors of our state and take positive steps to promote the state in the holy land. We are good people; please ensure you represent the state well.

"Our country is in dire need of prayers, as we are

going through a lot of challenges as a nation. We are faced with insecurity, economic retrogression and other challenges troubling the nation."

Shaibu, who also urged the state Pilgrims to pray for the unity and progress of the nation, added: "2023 is another election year; let us pray for a peaceful election so we can have good leaders that can manage our human and natural resources.

NCDMB annual undergraduate competition kicks off Ju

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The sixth edition of the Nigerian Content Development and Monitoring Board (NCDMB) annual national undergraduate essay competition, instituted to continue to promote academic excellence among university undergraduates in the country, is billed to commence nationwide