

Lady stabs lover to death over Internet fraud proceeds in Imo

Personnel of the Imo State Police Command have arrested a 27-year-old lady, Oluchi Nzemechi, of Uzoagba in Ikeduru Local Government Area of the state for stabbing her partner, Kelechi Nzemechi, to death.

The police said upon interrogation, the suspect confessed to the crime, admitting that her 31-year-old lover lured her into internet fraud aka 'yahoo yahoo'.

She explained that she had a heated argument with the deceased on Sunday for failing to give her a cut of an alleged 250 million Rupiah they fraudulently obtained from a victim in Indonesia.

During the argument, Nzemechi claimed she used a kitchen knife and stabbed him in the upper part of his body.

"In a bid to cover up my criminal acts, I swiftly wrote on a piece of paper; 'you think you can eat my money and go free, I am baba for the boys, I am coming for your wife and your child including your family and I placed it on his lifeless body and ran away from the house,' the suspect said while speaking to journalists when she was paraded by the police.

The suspect also stated that she has been living with the victim since 2019 and has a child for him.

The command's Public Relations Officer, ASP Henry Okoye, said the suspect would be arraigned in court after the conclusion of the investigation.

"Effort is intensified to re-

cover the alleged 250 million Indonesia Rupiah for a possible return to the owner. The suspect is currently undergoing an investigation at the State Criminal Investigation Department and will certainly be arraigned in court," he added.

NSCDC seeks crackdown on scrap markets to curb

The Commandant of the Nigeria Security and Civil Defence Corps (NSCDC) in the Federal Capital Territory, Dr Olusola Odumosu, has called for the regulation of pantaker markets in the region.

A Pantaker market is an open marketplace in Nigeria where scrap metals and used items of any type, especially second-hand metal, iron and aluminium, are sold, or pawned.

Odumosu, who spoke at the Monday muster parade at the NSCDC FCT Command Headquarters in Abuja yesterday highlighted the urgent need for governmental oversight in these markets due to their role in the sale of vandalised goods.

Odumosu in a statement by the command's spokesperson, Idoko Samuel, said: "With the proliferation of pantaker markets all over the city, and the suburbs, criminals have ready markets to sell vandalised metals, iron, aluminum, armoured cables, scraps and other stolen items which had increased the spate of vandalism of public properties in the FCT."

The commandant emphasised the importance of addressing concerns related to the sale and