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UNIILORIN Student Raped, Murdered in Kwara

Hammed Shittu in Ilorin

A 300-level student of the University of Ilorin, Miss Olajide Omowumi Blessing, has been reportedly raped and murdered in her residence located at Tanke area of the Ilorin metropolis in Kwara State.

The State Police Command Public Relations Officer (PPRO), Mr. Ajayi Okasanmi, who confirmed the incident yesterday to journalists in Ilorin, said that men of the state criminal investigation bureau have commenced full investigations into the ugly incident.

The deceased, who was said to be staying with her elder sister at Tanke area until her death, was a student of Agricultural Science Department and hailed from Oke-Opin community in the Ekiti Local Government Area of the state.

Okasanmi said: "Her elder sister came back from work at about 06:00p.m. on Tuesday and tried severally to reach her on phone but couldn't as the phone kept ringing.

"The elder sister came back from work to meet the door of her apartment locked and couldn't gain entry despite repeated knocks on the door.

"She then called some neighbours who helped to break

open the door. They all met the deceased lying dead on the floor when they entered with her two hands tied to the back, and her mouth gagged.

"She was met naked, bruises was noticed on her private part, her mouth was covered among others.

"Also, a note said to have been written on a piece of paper was placed on her chest containing a message: 'Unilorin doesn't forgive.'

"The people later informed the police at F Division Police Station, who discovered the dead body, snapped the picture, and took the corpse to the University of Ilorin Teaching Hospital (UIH) for autopsy."

He also said that the state Commissioner of Police, CP. Mohammed Bagega, has directed immediate investigation and arrest of the attackers, which is what we are doing right now."

Reacting to the development, the Representative of Ekiti State Constituency at the Kwara State House of Assembly, Hon. Ganiyu Abolarin, decried the growing insecurity in the state and demanded immediate investigation, apprehension and prosecution of the culprits.

Abolarin said: "I am deeply concerned about increasing cases of rape and brutality against the

girl child in Nigeria.

"I strongly condemn the gruesome killing of Olajide Omowumi Blessing, a 300 level student of Agriculture Science at the University of Ilorin, who

hailed from Oke-Opin in Ekiti Local Government Area of Kwara State.

"This gruesome murder of Olajide Blessing, who was allegedly raped to death in her

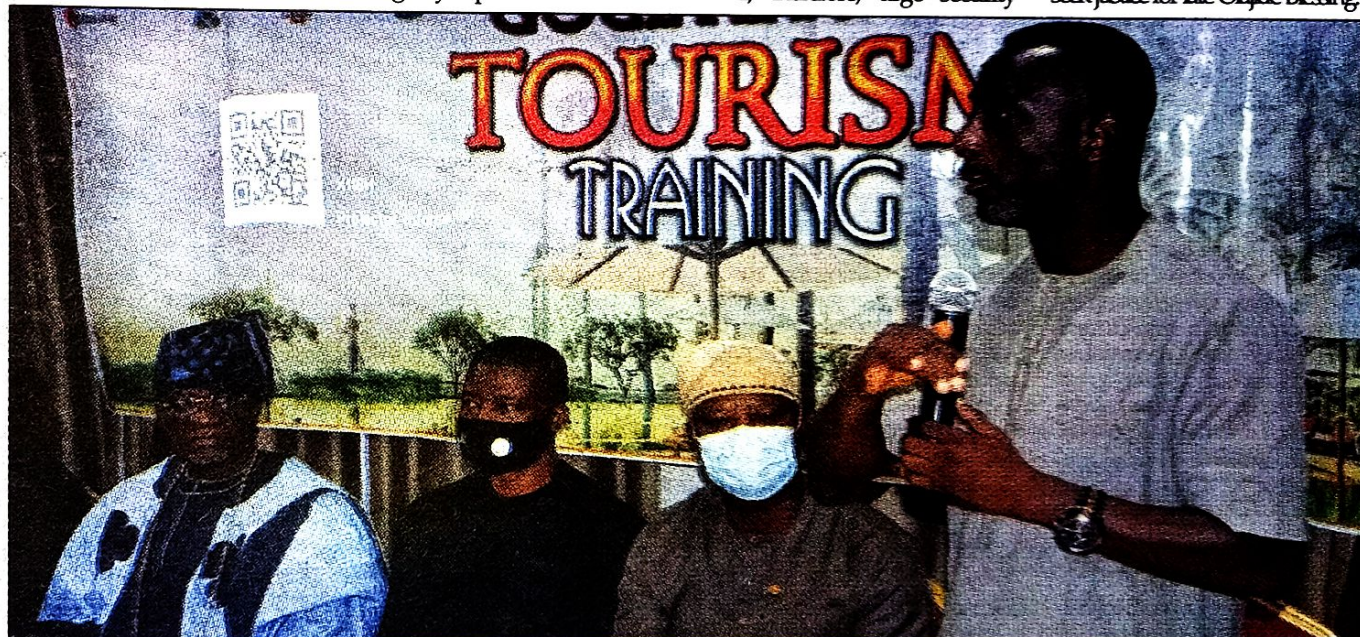
home at Tanke, Ilorin, is one death too many.

"The action of the culprits is horrific, condemnable and should not be condoned by any society.

"I, therefore, urge security

agencies to speedily investigate, arrest and prosecute the culprits.

"The perpetrator(s) of this dastardly and barbaric act must be brought to justice. We must all seek justice for late Olajide Blessing.



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