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Boy beheads dad for ritual purpose

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Residents of Bale Ilado village in Morogbo area of Lagos State were on Monday afternoon thrown into confusion when a member of the community was beheaded by his own son.

Segun Ajasa, who, until the sad incident, was living with his father in the village, took the entire village by surprise as he chopped off the head of his father allegedly for money ritual purposes.

Nigerian Tribune investigations revealed that the suspect had engaged his father in a heated argument on Monday afternoon before he murdered him.

It was further gathered that the suspect claimed that he killed his father to protect himself from being used for money ritual by him.

Information available to the Nigerian Tribune had it that the suspect claimed that his father had, a few days before, taken him to a shrine where he claimed there was an attempt to murder him.

According to the suspect, his father and the priest at the shrine forced him to kneel to perform a rite at the shrine.

He claimed that the refusal of the father to give him a satisfactory reason for his being taken to the shrine led to his beheading him.

The Public Relations Officer of the Lagos State Police Command, Mr. Olubode Ojajuni, a Superintendent of Police, told the Nigerian Tribune that the suspect had been detained at the state Criminal Investigation Department (CID) for further investigation.