

55-yr-old man murdered by lover

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DENSELY populated Cemetery Street in the City of Ajegunle in Lagos State, was yesterday thrown into confusion following the discovery of the body of a 55-year-old man in its decomposing state inside the deceased apartment.

The deceased who was simply identified as John was said to have been allegedly murdered in his one-room apartment by his girlfriend, who was also discovered to be unconscious, following the deceased refusal to discontinue with the relationship.

The accident happened barely three weeks after a similar incident in which a boy stabbed his girl friend to death at Ijesha area of Lagos, over the deceased refusal to also continue with the relationship.

The once blossom relation between the late John and his Delta State University girlfriend whose identity could not be ascertained as at press time, went sour after the deceased reportedly disclosed his intention to end the relation over an unknown reason.

Apprehension according to one of the deceased neighbours who spoke on condition of anonymity set in following the deceased unusual absence the next day. The

tension heightened when a stench discovered to be emanating from the deceased room was perceived yesterday morning.

Out of curiosity, some neighbours reportedly knocked on the deceased door and after much conviction that all was not well, decided to break the door, only to be startled with the discovery of John's body in its decomposing state, with his girlfriend on a sitting position unconscious.

Some liquid substance suspected to be poison and another chemical substance were reportedly seen on the floor.

Information gathered revealed that the deceased girlfriend and her other friend allegedly poisoned the deceased food with the intention to vindicate his action after which they sprayed the weakening chemical substance in the room. But unfortunately his girl friend reportedly inhaled the sprayed chemical substance and hence could not escape with her friend.

Policemen from Ajeromi division who were immediately contacted rushed the university undergraduate lady to an unidentified hospital while the corpse of the late John was taken to the mortuary.