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24-yr-old man butchers mum, buries parts in shallow grave

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YENAGOA — The riverside town of Oloibiri in Ogbia Local Government Area of Bayelsa State was thrown into mourning, Sunday, when a 24-year-old man, identified as Godsgift, suspected to be mentally unstable, butchered his mother and buried her remains in a shallow grave.

The deceased mother of four, aged 67, was identified as Mrs Rose Jonny.

It was gathered that the woman was killed in her sleep with a machete by her son who dragged her butchered body through the window and buried her in a shallow grave at the back of her house.

The tragic incident, according to a community source, occurred at about 9.30 p.m.

Though the claim that the man is mentally unstable could not be verified, he was said to have told the mother that she would not see the next day.

According to a source: "At about 9.30pm, he was reported to have crept into the mother's room and butchered her in her sleep.

"He took her bloodied body out of the room through the window and dragged her to the back of the house where he dug a shallow grave, dumped her body and covered it with sand."

It was learnt that neighbours became suspicious the next day due to the unusual silence from the deceased's house.

According to sources, the suspicion was further fuelled when it was discovered that her door was locked from inside and several knocks on the door were not answered.

Another son of the deceased was reportedly summoned by neighbours and they forced the door open, only to see the entire room splashed with blood.

The neighbours and other children of the deceased were said to have traced the blood stains to a shallow grave at the back of the house where the body of the woman was found.

Contacted, the state Police Public Relations Officer, Mr. Alex Akhigbe, confirmed the incident, saying the suspect has been arrested and the case transferred from the Ogbia Police Station to the Criminal Investigation Department (CID) for investigation.

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