



## New year tragedy: Man hacks step-mother to death in Enugu

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**Pandemonium** broke out in the agrarian community of Umuenem, Ezimesi-Oduma in Aninri Local Government Area of Enugu State following the killing of Bennedeth Anyim, allegedly with an axe during her intervention to quell a fight that erupted between two belligerent siblings.



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The suspect, Friday Anyim, was said to have engaged the elder sister, Abigail Anyim, in an argument over the sale of a water tank to enable him (Friday) raise money for the purchase of a motorcycle, popularly known as Okada, for commercial purpose.

It was gathered that the suspect, a son to one of the three wives of his father, Anyim Samuel, had, in a bid to have his way, picked an axe,

apparently to deal a devastating injury on the sister before the deceased rushed to intervene and was hit by the flying axe.

The attack left the deceased sprawling on the floor just as the suspect took to his heels.

Enugu State Police Command Public Relations Officer, PPRO, Mr. Ebere Amaraizu, confirmed the incident in a statement, adding that the deceased's husband who was in the middle of a meeting in a nearby house, raced home on hearing the news only for him to meet the wife in a pool of blood.

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