

## How I raped, killed youth corps member — Suspect

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Late Modupe Taiyese and Festus Udoh

**ABEOKUTA**—A 29-year-old, driving school instructor, Festus Udoh, yesterday, narrated how he lured, raped and killed a Batch A 2017 member of the National Youth Service Corps (NYSC) serving in Abeokuta, Ogun State, Ms Modupe Taiyese, in a forest.

Speaking with journalists at the scene of the crime at Abule Ayo area in Mawuko village, Odeda local government area of the State,, the suspect said that he did drag the victim into a forest and had sex with her before he strangled her to death.

When asked how he knew her, he said “I knew her from the driving school, I was an instructor, she came to learn driving. she stopped almost a month ago now. My Oga used to send me to give them learner’s permit and I will go and do it at Oke-Mosan.

“So, I did a learner’s permit for her, she did not come to collect hers and later on, after a week she then called that she wanted to collect the learner’s permit, I told her that I was no longer there. She then said she would come and collect the learner’s permit, I said no problem when I am around I will call her.

“So the day I called her that she should come to Lafenwa and collect the learner’s permit, I said I will do another one for her. So, when she came, I told her to follow me that there is a place I will do it for her.

He added “ We then took a bike to Iberokodo , we dropped at that junction. When we dropped, we started trekking and we were discussing and she asked if this was where we were coming? I said yes, this is where I use to stay, she then followed me.

“After I took her to this place, I told her that I wanted to have sex with her, she said ‘No’, but I dragged her into the bush and had sex with her.

“After having sex with her, she said she would tell her family; that was when I tore her cloth and used it to strangle her.

“As she was gasping, I ran away, “the suspect said.

*Vanguard* discovered that the corpse of the deceased has not been removed from the scene of the crime as at the time of filing this report.

The Commissioner of Police in the state, Mr Ahmed Iliyasu said prior to the arrest of the suspect , yesterday, that the coordinator of the NYSC in the state, Mr John Okon had complained to the command about a missing corps member in the state.

“We went for a powerful technical screening of fact left behind by the last person she contacted, who is the suspect; we are able to arrest him.

“We are able to uncover this nefarious act and he led us to this place and confessed.

“Technically, the information led to one person, an indigene of Uromi in Edo, who was teaching this innocent corps member, Taiyese Modupe, how to drive a car.

“The man tactically and deceitfully convinced her on Saturday evening, that her driving permit was ready.

“She decided to answer his call and he cleverly and deceitfully apprehended the lady and brought her down to this forest where he had a forceful and unlawful carnal knowledge of her. Thereafter, he strangled her to death,” he said.

Ilyasu also said the police tracked the suspect, following some passport photographs found at the scene of the crime.

“The passport photographs of the suspect were found at the scene of the incident which is a remarkable evidence of the crime.”