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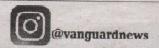
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Woman stabs husband to death over money for daughter's birthday

...as man commits suicide in Bayelsa over impotence

By Evelyn Usman & Emem Idio

AGOS—TRAGEDY struck, yesterday, in Surulere area of Lagos State after a woman allegedly stabbed her husband to death over his refusal to celebrate their daughter's one-year birthday.

Investigations revealed that the suspect, Stella Peter, 23, requested for money from the deceased, Bala Haruna, 25, to purchase ingredients, in preparation for their child's birthday, today,

Late Haruna was said to have told her to bring her share of the amount, which resulted in a quarrel that degenerated into a fight. The suspect was said to have dashed into the kitchen. brought out a knife and stabbed her husband in the back.

Residents of 2, Tejuosho Avenue, where the couple reside, said they were alerted by the victim's shout of help at about

One of them, who spoke on the condition of anonymity, said: "They were not legally married but were live-in-lovers. The lady had told everyone about their child's one-year birthday. She even said my children would be guests. We were looking forward to it when this unfortunate incident happened.

"Haruna could have died as a result of loss of blood. Those who



Stella Peter

got there first said he told them his wife wanted the money for the birthday at all cost and held him

by the trouser. In a bid to release himself from her grips, he hit her on the head and the rest is

history."

Policemen at Surulere Division, who were informed, stormed the scene and arrested the suspect, who according to the Lagos State Police Public Relations Officer, had been transferred to the State Criminal Investigation and Intelligence Department, SCIID,

...suicide in Bayelsa

In another incident, a 30-yearold man identified as Keme Eyebiakporkumor has committed suicide in Bietibi-Ama Amassoma community in Southern Iiaw Local Government Area of Bayelsa State.

Although the deceased, who committed suicide in the early hours of Sunday, did not leave any note behind, a close family source opined that he committed the act due to the malfunctioning of his genitals for the past two years, a development that has affected him.

According to the family source, who preferred anonymity, the deceased who was single and childless was a former staff of the state-owned Niger Delta University, Wilberforce Island, Amassoma, until he was affected by the civil service reforms and had remained jobless since.

The source also noted that the deceased lived an average life and was known for his humility and associated with people freely in the community.

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