

## Man, 31, in Police net for killing his girlfriend in Ogun

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**A**BEOKUTA—Operatives of Ogun State Police Command have arrested a 31-year old Rexlawson Jonson over alleged murder of his girlfriend, 26-year-old Patricia John.

Jonson, an indigene of Ebonyi State, was arrested on October 30, 2020.

The arrest of the suspect, according to a statement by the command's spokesperson, Abimbola Oyeyemi, followed a report by one Adebayo Aladesuyi, who is a manager of Molayo Hotel, Ibafo.

He reported that "while they were carrying out routine check of the hotel rooms, they discovered the dead body of the occupant of one of the rooms with bruises on her neck suggesting that the deceased might have been strangled.

"On the strength of the report, the DPO Ibafo division, Jide Joshua, led his detectives to the scene and recovered the corpse to Olabisi Onabanjo University Teaching Hospital in Shagamu for post mortem examination."

Oyeyemi noted that preliminary investigation later revealed that the deceased checked into the hotel with a man who sneaked out of the hotel after killing the woman.

Consequently, the Divisional Police Officer and his men commenced technical and intelligence based investigation which led to unraveling the identity of the suspect.

He was, subsequently, traced and apprehended by the detectives.

On interrogation, he confessed checking into the hotel with the deceased and that they had a misunderstanding, which led to physical assault between them.

In the process, he said the woman collapsed and gave up the ghost. He, subsequently, left the corpse in the room and sneaked out of the hotel.

Meanwhile, the state Commissioner of Police, Edward Ajogun, has ordered the immediate transfer of the suspect to homicide section of the State Criminal Investigation and Intelligence Department for further investigation.