

Man shoots 19-yr-old mentally deranged dead in Enugu

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A 19-year-old mentally deranged man, Ifeanyi (aka Agudo), was allegedly shot dead by a man identified as Lawrence Ezeoha, at Ikem, Isi-Uzo Local Government Area of Enugu State.

It was gathered that the deceased, who was a commercial motorcyclist before he was struck with madness, strayed into Ezeoha's compound, Wednesday morning, and accused him of being responsible for his mental illness.

Angered by the accusation, which was not the first time, Ezeoha allegedly shot Ifeanyi in the chest region after every effort to make him leave his homestead proved abortive.

After the shooting, it was gathered that Ezeoha took refuge at the police station in the area, but his house and that of his son were set ablaze by irate youths.

One of the community sources, who confirmed the incident, said: "Some boys took ifeanyi to Ikem General Hospital but was pronounced dead by the doctors on duty.

"The development angered the youths of the community and they quickly mobilised themselves and razed down houses belonging to Ezeoha and that of his son.

"The youths wanted to kill the man too but he quickly rushed to the police before they arrived. Left with no other choice, they destroyed everything in his house and set it ablaze. They also went and set ablaze the house his son newly built."