

14-year-old docked for stabbing neighbour to death over girlfriend

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• Man in court for biting his mother severally, attempting to kill her

A 14-year old boy, (name withheld as he is a minor) who allegedly stabbed his 17-year-old neighbour, Sunday Ogele, to death following tussle over a girlfriend, has been arraigned before an Akure Magistrates' court.

The Police charged the teenager to court on a count of murder.

Police Prosecutor, Matins Olowofeso, told the court that the defendant committed the offence on April 20, 2023 at Oka-Akoko, area of the state. According to Olowofeso, the defendant killed one Sunday Ogele by stabbing him with a scissors in his rib after a scuffle over girlfriend.

The charge read in part, "That you, 'm' on April 20 Sunday, 2023 at 8:pm at Kanmu, Oka-Akoko in the Ondo State Magisterial District, did kill one Sunday Ogele 'm' 17 years old by stabbing him with a scissors in his rib, which led to his death."

The offence contravenes Section 319(1) and 316 of the Criminal Code, Cap 37, Vol. 2, Laws of Ondo State, 2016.

His plea was not taken.

The Police Prosecutor, urged the court to remand the defendant at the Correctional Centre pending the issuance of advice from the Director of Public Prosecutions, (DPP).

But the defence counsel informed the court that both parties involved are relations and that the father of the deceased had opted for settlement.

The father of the victim, Mr Ogele told the court that he has not been properly approached for any out of court settlement.

The presiding Magistrate, Folashade Aduroja, therefore ordered the remand of the defendant and adjourned the case till June 11 for ruling.

In another development, a 25-year-old hair stylist, Tomisin Odusanya, has appeared before an Akure Chief Magistrates' Court for allegedly attempting to kill his mother, Mrs Abbey Lizzy for her refusal to cook for him.

Tomisin was also said to have assaulted a police officer on his lawful duty.

The defendant, who appeared before Chief Magistrate Musa Al-Yunus, pleaded not guilty to the four-count charge of assault, attempted murder and causing a breach of peace.

Police Prosecutor, Nelson Akintimehin, told the court that the defendant committed the offence on May 13, 2023 at 8:30pm at Third gate Oba- Afunbiowo Estate and at the 'B' Division Police Station, Oke-Aro.

Akintimehim said that Tomisin assaulted his mother, Lizzy by biting her all over the body and threatening to kill her.

He was alleged to have assaulted an officer, one PC Gbenga Falana with force No: 515988 attached to the station with the intent to resist and prevent his lawful detention.