

Student nurse arrested over missing body

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Kawempe Police Station has arrested a student nurse over a missing body of a baby. It is alleged that Violet Namata on Saturday assisted in delivering Immaculate Kyomugisha's baby at Kawempe Hospital.

It is alleged that the suspect was alone in the labour ward on the fateful day.

Namata was arrested on Tuesday after Kyomugisha's relatives tipped Police about the missing baby.

According to Ruth Atuhirwe, the officer in charge of CIID at Kawempe Police Station, Namata has since recorded a statement and investigations are still going on.

In a separate interview, the hospital administrator, Sarah Ndibalekera, said the 21-year-old Kyomugisha had a stillbirth.

The health workers, however, on Wednesday discharged Kyomugisha without giving her the body of the dead child as demanded.

Kyomugisha's relatives are not

convinced that she had given birth to a dead baby.

The husband, only identified as Mutebi, 25, said his wife has been going for antenatal services at this facility and the last scan did not indicate that the foetus had a problem.

Kyomugisha earlier said in an interview that when she developed labour pains on Saturday, she rushed to Kawempe Hospital where she was taken to the labour ward to deliver. She was in the company of her husband and some

of his relatives.

Three hours later, the midwife delivered the baby and confirmed that it was a girl and took it away. Kyomugisha said she did not hear the baby cry, adding that she was not given the reason.

A few hours later, Kyomugisha was also transferred from the labour ward on 4th floor and taken to 5th floor for admission, this was when she was told that she had produced a dead baby. But to date, Kyomugisha has not received the body.