

Man kills spouse over Xmas visit

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IGANGA. Police in Iganga District are hunting for a 35-year-old man who hacked his wife to death on Christmas Day for allegedly eloping with other men.

The suspect, Moses Magumba, is said to have killed Betty Anyokoti, 25, who had left their marital home in Naluswa village, Buyanga Sub-county, to spend Christmas with her family in Idudi.

Magumba, according to Busoga East region police spokesperson James Mubi, allowed his wife to go and spend Christmas with her relatives on condition that she returned before dark.

Source of trouble

However, the deceased delayed for undisclosed reasons, and by 10pm on Monday, she had not returned home, raising suspicion from her husband that she was seeing other men.

POLICE ADVICE

Counselling. Busoga East region police spokesperson James Mubi advised couples with grievances to seek counselling from family members, clan leaders, local council officials or police.

This, according to police authorities, angered the man.

According to one of the residents identified as William Okunyuku, when it approached 10pm, the machete-wielding man started searching for his wife, before intercepting her and hacking her to death while she was in the company of their seven-year-old child.

"When Magumba met the deceased along the way, a heated argument ensued and when it escalated, Magumba cut her to death," Mr Okunyuku said.

The deceased's plight was brought to the fore when her child started crying out for help, drawing residents to the scene.