

Woman's hands fractured by an unfaithful husband

In Isaibal Quarter in Fundong Sub Division of Cameroon, a woman of about 50 years of age has been a victim of a barbaric act of violence from the husband. She saw her two hands fractured in addition to backache. Barely three weeks after the celebration of the International Day of the Woman that was celebrated last March 8th, 2015. The Day was adopted by the International community to denounce the condition of the woman in general and violence in particular. During these years, campaigns to sensitize communities on the need to eradicate violence against women were carried out. Despite these actions, some community members continue to give deaf ears to messages. It is the case of this business man of the Fundong Commercial Street who deals with wrappers and clothing materials. During the night of 26th breaking Friday 27th, he used a strong material to hit his wife who was as sleep. As a result of this aggression, the woman endured two fractures on her left hand and one on her right hand coupled with some backache. According to information we gathered, this was his way to solve a conflict situation in the couple life. Our source told us that since some years the couple is facing some difficulties. In fact the woman has been suspecting that the husband is dating his niece with whom they were living together under the same roof. The said niece got married one year ago but continues to visit the uncle at doubtful time and in hidden corners until recent when they were surprised by the wife of the man in one of their rendezvous. But for the interest of peace in the family, the matter was as usual "managed in the family".



But since then, the climate became so tense in the house. This tension resulted in the aggression of the woman last Friday, 27th. After her aggression, the poor woman was transported by her granddaughter to a traditional healer (doctor Bone) in the same Quarter. For the past four days, she has not received any true treatment or even the visit of the so called husband. Informed of the situation, the State Counsel to the Boyo High Court summoned the brutal husband to take his responsibilities. She could finally see the Doctor of the Fundong District Hospital this Monday 30th in the afternoon before been referred to the Njinikom General Hospital for X-Ray and other exams. The intervention of the State Counsel put an end to the action of some women who were preparing to go down to the street for pacific demonstration against the barbaric act. It should be recalled that this couple has been legally married for the past 28 years. With technical assistance from RuWCED' staff, women in Fundong called on the Judicial Authorities, the Divisional Delegate of Women's empowerment and the Family as well as other NGOs to mobilize and make sure this man of the other era is punished accordingly so as to discourage whosoever thinks violence against women is a way of solving any problem.

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