

# Mob Kills Suspected Thief In FCT Community



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**A suspected notorious motorcycle thief, identified as Haruna Yahuza (also known as “Gwaska”), has been reportedly lynched by a mob along the Dafara-Gaube road in the Kuje Area Council of the FCT.**

Solomon Markus, a resident of the Dafara community, said the incident occurred on Monday around 8:12pm after the suspect allegedly snatched a motorcycle near the community and attempted to escape.

According to Markus, the suspect and an accomplice, who remains at large, blocked the road and stabbed a cyclist before fleeing with the stolen bike. The attack immediately drew the attention of a growing mob.

He said the bike owner, who was left in a pool of his blood, was able to identify the primary suspect.

He said he alerted local youths who quickly gave the suspect a “hot chase.”

“Immediately after the suspect escaped with the bike alongside his accomplice, a mob gave chase and alerted youths in the next village, who eventually intercepted them,” Markus said.

He explained that while the accomplice narrowly escaped into the bush when the mob flagged them down near Dafara village, the crowd pounced on Yahuza with blunt objects until he succumbed to his injuries.

Markus added that the injured cyclist was rushed to a hospital in Kuje for treatment, and the stolen motorcycle has since been recovered.

Moses Ishaku, a local vigilante member, confirmed the incident during a telephone interview on Wednesday morning.

“Yes, it is true a notorious motorcycle thief was killed by a mob along the Dafara-Gaube road on Monday night. By the time we received the information and arrived at the scene, the suspect had already been lynched,” Ishaku stated.

The vigilante member expressed deep concern over the frequent motorcycle snatchings along the Dafara-Gaube axis, noting that “hardly a week passes without a report of hoodlums snatching a bike in the area.”

A police source at the Kuje Division, speaking on the condition of anonymity, confirmed the incident, adding that the police are currently investigating the matter.