

Man kills elder brother, wife in Kebbi village

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The Kebbi State Police Command has arrested a 25-year-old man, Idrisu Musa, in connection with the killing of his elder brother, Muhammed Haruna, and Haruna's wife, Habiba Muhammed, in Asarara Village.

According to the police, the tragic incident occurred in the early hours of Saturday when the couple were allegedly attacked with a cutlass while asleep in their home at about 5:15 a.m.

The victims reportedly sustained severe injuries during the assault and later died.

Police spokesperson, SP Bashir Usman, who confirmed the arrest in a statement issued on Saturday evening, said investigators recovered "substantial and incriminating evidence" linking the suspect to the crime.

He added that the suspect had allegedly threatened the deceased couple with a cutlass on several previous occasions before the fatal attack.

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It further stated that, “Substantial and implicating evidence has been recovered linking the suspect to the crime. The suspect had reportedly intimidated the couple with a cutlass on several prior occasions.”

The Commissioner of Police in the state, Umar M. Hadejia, has directed that the matter be transferred to the State Criminal Investigation Department for further investigation.

“The Command assures the public that justice will be pursued diligently,” the statement added.

The incident had earlier sparked concern among residents of Jega Local Government Area after reports emerged that unidentified persons had attacked and killed the couple inside their residence.

The latest arrest is expected to bring some relief to members of the community, who have been demanding swift action from security agencies.

Police said further updates would be made available as investigations continue.

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