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This young man raped a 5-year-old girl - Says he was under the influence of alcohol

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The suspect, Musa

WHEN members of the public in Kaduna metropolis stormed the police headquarters in the state to watch suspected criminals being paraded before newsmen last week, they were shocked to the marrow as the state police commissioner, Mr. Haz Iwendi asked a 25-year-old student of Nuhu Bamali Polytechnic in Zaria, Musa, to step forward.

As he was being accused of raping a five-year-old girl under the influence of alcohol after luring the little girl with food and snacks, a cross section of the gathering, most especially the young folks, burst into laughter as others rained curses on him for venturing to destroy the future of the innocent girl.

According to Iwendi, "the suspect during interrogation had confessed that he committed the crime under alcoholic influence. He said he actually invited the girl to his room and had carnal knowledge of her after enticing her with food and drinks".

In a chat with **Crime File** after the parade, Musa who pleaded for forgiveness said he committed the crime under alcoholic influence. According to him, "it was not intentional, I didn't even know when I was doing it. I just knew that I enticed the girl into my room with food and snacks and raped her.

In a related event, while parading a 17-year-old lady, Rosemary Haruna for culpable homicide, the police boss stated that the suspect had dumped her three-month-old baby boy in the well at Sabon-Tasha, a suburb of Kaduna metropolis while her neighbours discovered the corpse of the baby floating in a well.

Iwendi said his detectives visited the scene, recovered the corpse and arrested Rosemary, adding that she confessed that sometime in December 2007, she gave birth to a baby boy outside wedlock and named him Prince Mike, adding that she later decided to get rid of the baby boy by dumping him in a well to save herself from societal mockery.

While assuring that his men were up to the task of curtailing criminal activities in the state, the police boss however appealed to members of the public to always give police useful information about the activities of criminals in their areas.

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