

Sokoto police arrest *kabu-kabu* operator's killer

The police in Sokoto have arrested one Aliyu Ribah for the murder of an *okada* operator at Dundaye, Wamakko local government area of the state.

This was disclosed by the Sokoto state commissioner of police, Alhaji Saidu Daya, while briefing newsmen in his office yesterday.

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Alhaji Daya explained that the arrest of the suspect was as a result of a complaint lodged by the district head of Dundaye after villagers discovered the remains of the late Samaila Nuhu Dan Abale, a *kabu-kabu* operator, who

left home since August 22, 2006 and was later found dead.

The commissioner disclosed that the remains of the late Samaila Dan Abale were found tied in a sack and dumped at Kwalkwalawa, a village in the premises of Usman Danfodio University, Sokoto.

Alhaji Daya told newsmen that the body of the late Samaila was discovered by some labourers, who later informed the village head of Dundaye, who in turn informed the police about the discovery.

He said the suspect, who initially denied knowledge of the criminal act, had been

arrested after he had confessed taking part in the killing of Samaila Dan-Abale along with two others, Hamza Rochas and Zayyanu, who are still at large.

Alhaji Daya explained that the late Samaila Dan Abale was robbed of his motorcycle by Aliyu Ayuba and his gang before using hoes and sticks to kill him. He later dumped him in a sack.

In his confession, the suspect, Aliyu Ayuba Ribah from Kebbi state, said he took the motorcycle to Ribah and sold it to one Abubakar Ribah, a motorcycle dealer. He is now helping the police to trace the whereabouts of his two colleagues.

When *Daily Trust* visited the Kwalkwalawa village about 10 kilometres away from the state capital, it was gathered that the house of Aliyu Ayuba Ribah was burnt down by angry residents who discovered several plate numbers in his room.

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country that do not know how to handle TB and HIV/AIDS drug administration for patients.