

Mutilated teenager's body found in Maiduguri

The body of a yet to be identified male teenager has been found, cut into different parts for suspected ritual purpose in Unguwan Doki, Maiduguri.

The teenager was cut into several parts with his head, leg, arms and other parts completely detached. The deceased is believed to be about 14 years old before he was killed. Police told new men that

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there was no clue yet on who may have killed the boy but the reason is believed to be for rituals given the fact that there have been numerous cases of human bodies found mutilated in different parts of Maiduguri,

especially since 2007.

The state commissioner of police, Alhaji Mohammed Sambo told newsmen that the increasing spate of ritual killings and disappearance of young people across Borno was giving residents sleepless nights and that his command was doing every thing to ad-

dress the development. The commissioner pointed out that the police had been receiving complaints of missing persons and that intensive vehicular and foot patrols had been stepped up in Maiduguri since his arrival.

He added that the police need information from the public to checkmate activities of ritualists, urging members of the public to assist the command in addressing rising crime wave in the state and called on the state government to also assist the police with operational vehicles and communication equipment.

It would be recalled that three years ago, a suspected ritual syndicate was arrested. Investigations are still on concerning that syndicate.

In recent times, there have been numerous reports of missing women and children cutting across all age brackets while some mutilated bodies including those of infants have been commonly found around markets and other public places.

No need to increase electoral constituencies in Yobe, says INEC

Going by the constitutional requirements for the creation of new electoral constituencies, there is no need to create new ones in Yobe State, the Independent National electoral Commission (INEC) said in Damaturu yesterday.

Speaking during the visit of the INEC advisory committee on delimitation of electoral constituencies, the leader of the team, Barrister Mohammed A. Abubakar said

From Hamza Idris,
Damaturu

Abubakar, who is the INEC National Commissioner in charge of Borno, Jigawa and Yobe States said the 1999 Constitution provides four conditions by which delineation of electoral constituencies could be conducted in order to give all Nigerians who have attained voting age the chance to exercise their franchise. He listed the conduct of a national

tion of constituencies and promulgation of an act by the National Assembly demanding for the exercise.

The INEC commissioner said; "if you look at all the population figures of the constituencies in Yobe State, none of them requires any amendment as far as the Commission is concerned".

The state has a population of 2.3 million people with three senatorial slots, six House of Representative seats and 24