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Muhammad Abubakar Bauchi

A 29-year-old man, Usman Alhaji Garba, has been arrested by the Bauchi State police

command for hacking two of his in-laws to death with a cutlass in Tudun wada village of Alkaleri Local Government Area of the state.

Parading the suspect before our correspondent on yesterday, the state Deputy Commissioner of police, Muhammad Abdulkadir Indabawa said Usman hacked the father of his wife, Muhammad Jabbe aged 50 years and the mother of his wife, Maryam Muhammad, aged 45 years with a cutlass in their residence on the 13th of this month.

The deputy commissioner said the suspect went to his in-laws' house to request for permission to take back his wife who left him but the parents declined his request, which provoked him. Indabawa said the police gathered that the suspect after killing the two parents, turned to other members of the family, attacking anybody in sight.

He said the wife of the suspect, Fatima Usman, aged 19, had one of her fingers

severed by her husband while trying to stop him from attacking her parents and is receiving attention at the General Hospital in Alkaleri.

The suspect who said he was a farmer and cattle rearer said he went to his in-laws' house to take back his wife but was attacked by the parents and members of the family who started beating him.

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"I had a cutlass which I always walk around with, and when they attacked me I lost my temper and started stabbing those around to defend myself. I was in a fit of anger and did not know what I was doing. You can see the

cuts and wounds on my body. They were inflicted by my attackers", he said. However, the DC said the suspect was lying.

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