

Boy, 15, found dead without body parts

The body of a 15 year old boy, Musbahu Aliyu, was found in Funtua Local Government Area of Katsina State at the weekend without some vital parts. Daily Trust gathered that the mutilated body was found in an uncompleted building at Unguwar Mata quarters along Funtua-Sokoto road bye pass.

One of the witnesses who discovered the body, Mallam Abubakar Unguwar Wanzamai said the boy's abdomen was ripped apart with a sharp object and his intestine was removed and kept in a room of the uncompleted building while the remaining body was kept in another room.

He said the liver, kidney, heart and some other parts were removed and taken away by the killers, presumably for ritual purposes. The incident was reported at the central police station by the Islamic teacher of the deceased, Mallam Abubakar U/Wanzamai incidentally at the

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time when the ward head of Unguwar Mata Mai Unguwa Mamman also reported the discovery of the dead body in the same police station. On rushing to the area, both saw the body which had started decomposing. The boy according to investigation, hailed from Yankara village of Faskari Local Government and was sent to Funtua for traditional Almajiri education.

When contacted, the police public relations officer of the Katsina State police command, DSP Adamu Yusif confirmed the incident but said investigation revealed that the death may not be as a result of ritual killing after all. He said the boy had been reported missing over a period of time and upon discovery it was suspected that dogs might have tampered with his decomposing body before it was discovered, adding that investigation was still in progress.