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Youngster killed at Kubwa student's party

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A 20-year-old man was penultimate Friday killed at a send-off party organised by graduating students of Government Secondary School, Kubwa.

The adult, Derek Mfater Kajo, was invited by the students to act as a master of ceremony and music mixer, respectively in their send-off party that held on July 2 and 3, 2009 at Roop Hotel, Kubwa.

Our reporter learnt from a resident close to the deceased person's house that on July 2, Derek, who acted as a master of ceremony informed guests (mostly students) at the venue of the event that uninvited guests will not be

welcomed to the party venue the following day.

"This statement did not go down well with some of the boys at the party that day and they attacked Derek's younger brother in order to pass a message to him," the resident stated.

The resident said when Derek appeared at Roop Hotel the following day and was busy mixing music to create fun in the party at 8pm, some group of boys accosted him.

"We were told that they invited him outside for a chat and in the process about 13 of them started hitting Derek with objects while one of them brought out a knife and stabbed him direct in his

heart, which made him collapse," the resident stated.

At the Kubwa General Hospital, where the victim was rushed to by students, hospital sources yesterday said he was brought in dead.

"I cried when I saw the boy with blood on his body and he was brought in here dead, as he lost a lot of blood," the nurse said.

According to the nurse, when the students brought the victim to the hospital and learnt he was dead, they tried to make it look like a student's problem but the hospital authority had to secretly invite the police that night that arrested all those that brought the victim to the hospital.

The hospital source disclosed

that victims brought in dead are normally abandoned by the police.

"Once the police bring them, they want to drop the victims and escape because they don't want to involve themselves with anything that will waste their time as witnesses in court without monetary gains," the source stated.

City News learnt that the police also raided the venue of the party to pick more suspects. At the Kubwa Phase IV Police Station, the divisional crime officer said the case file has been transferred to the FCT Criminal Investigation Department for more investigations.

According to him, suspects were arrested and have been transferred along with the case

file to the FCT Police Command for detailed investigation.

When contacted to comment on the incident the vice-principal of Government Secondary School, Kubwa, said the school was not aware of the party and also denied that the suspects were from the school.

"We were invited by the police at FCT Command and when I got there, I requested to see the suspects that claimed to be students from my school and on sighting them I found out that they were not our students, which I told the police officers," she stated.

Meanwhile, the victim's corpse was taken to Gboko in Benue State for burial on July 10.