

Two held over murder in Kwara

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A Magistrate's Court in Ilorin, Kwara State has ordered the remand of two men for allegedly machetting a man to death.

The accused, Lahi Alhaji Mamman and Sede Buba, both of Ekule village, were said to have dumped the corpse of the deceased in a nearby river after killing him.

The accused were arraigned before the court on a two-count charge of criminal conspiracy and culpable homicide.

A brother to the deceased, one Alhaji Lagi Haruna of Fulani Camp, Oloko tintin Village, had on October 7, 2010 lodged a complaint at the Banni Divisional Police Headquarters, alleging that the accused trailed his brother to the bush and killed him.

According to Haruna, the deceased, Sule Haruna, on that day, went to the bush with his cattle and never returned. He added that it was the corpse of his brother that was later found in a river.

The prosecutor, Inspector Mojishola Olamokun, informed the court that investigation into the case is yet to be completed and prayed the court to adjourn the case to enable the police complete investigation into the matter.

She also objected to the bail of the accused persons, saying the offence is capital in nature and not ordinarily bailable.

The judge, Magistrate Qudus Salahu, who refused to take the plea of the accused for lack of jurisdiction, agreed with the prosecutor and ordered that the accused be remanded.

The case has been adjourned till November 2, 2010.