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Police find corpse with N.5m

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The police in Masaka in Nasarawa State last week found the corpse of one Zakari Alakayi on top of his handbag which contained N500,000.The deceased, a member of the Alakayi family in Giza town, had reportedly lost blood after being shot by unknown gunmen on the thigh near the National Agricultural Show Ground in Tudun Wada, along the Keffi-Abuja road.



A family member, Barrister Mamman Alakayi, who is also the information commissioner in the state, told Daily Trust yesterday that the deceased left his house on Wednesday last week at Nyanya Gwandara for a visit to his late elder brother’s house at Mararaba for a meeting. Zakari, he added, left the late Safyanu Alakayi’s residence around 10pm and headed back home, but was not seen until his body was discovered the next day. The deceased’s wife, according to the information commissioner, rushed to the police station in Masaka to lodge a complaint about the disappearance of her husband by afternoon of Thursday, only to discover that the police had already displayed her husband’s corpse for identification.

The information commissioner gave the police account, saying he was found dead by his handbag in which there was N500,000. But his Toyota Camry car in which he drove out was nowhere to be found.

Nasarawa State Police Command spokesman, ASP Richard Akoji said he had no signal from Masaka yet for him to speak on the matter.

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