Herbalist kills 4-month-old son for ritual - Police

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THE Kogi State Police Command yesterday paraded a 46-year-old herbalist, Hosea Folorunso, for allegedly killing his son, Sunday Folorunso.

Parading the suspect in Lokoja, police commissioner Mohammed Musa Katsina, said the suspect, a herbalist in Egbe, killed the four months old baby for ritual on Monday, December 31.

He said the suspect, an indigene of Egbe in Yagba West Local Government Area of the state, committed the murder around 11:55 pm.

According to him, the suspect quietly took the baby who was sleeping with his mother outside the house and murdered him.

He said after killing the baby, the suspect dug a shallow grave in his compound and buried the corpse.

Katsina said the suspect was arrested by the police squad in Egbe following an intelligent report, adding that the suspect had confessed committing the crime.

He added that the suspect also led the police to where he buried the body which was exhumed, noting that an autopsy is being carried out to ascertain cause of the death and that the suspect would be charged to court.

Speaking, the liaison officer of the council, Tunji Aro, assured the community that adequate security measures will be put in place to forestall a re-occurrence and urged them to be law abiding.