

## HOOLIGANS KILL 23-YEAR OLD, INJURE 4 IN KATSINA

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Barely 24 hours after police authorities confirmed that it had checked the activities of Katsina's popular hooligans (Kauraye), the dreaded thugs have struck again, killing a 23-year old Silim Mu'azu and injuring four others in Kwabren Dorawa quarters in Sabuwar Unguwa area of Katsina State metropolis.

Eyewitness account revealed that the dreaded group who were moving in large numbers launched the attack on the eve of Eid-el-Fitr celebration, beating and molesting residents indiscriminately.

Sunday Trust gathered that the 23-year old deceased was killed by the group during the rampage.

Late Salim was on his way to his shop when the dreaded Kauraye met him and stabbed him severally to death with knives. An eyewitness told Sunday Trust that the deceased died on the spot due to excessive loss of blood. The witness said four other persons were injured by the thugs, saying "they were tailors. They were attacked by the group in their shops. After attacking the tailors, the Kauraye raided all the shops around. They carted away clothing materials and destroyed others".

Confirming the incident, the police public relation officer, DSP Aminu Sadiq Abubakar said two suspects had been arrested and some dangerous weapons were recovered from them.

Meanwhile, the police have confirmed the arrest of 17 persons, comprising of 13 suspected armed robbers and four hooligans that specialized in car snatching and molestation of innocent citizens in the State.

The state police commissioner, Alhaji Muhammad Hurdi said 13 of the arrested persons were suspected armed robbers that had been terrorizing people in the southern part of the State.

Hurdi said they were arrested in Kafur, Kankara, Safana, Sabuwa and Funtua local government areas, adding that dangerous weapons comprising Dane gun, locally made pistol, live ammunitions, motorcycles, cutlasses and police belt among other items were recovered from them.

Hurdi said "a gang of armed robbers was smashed by our men in Kafur local government and one of them was shot. The wounded suspect was later arrested by the police in Kafur town and he confessed to us that they were five. We are still pursuing others that have fled".

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