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GROUP CONDEMNS KILLING OF MILK-MAID BY SOLDIER IN DEI-DEI

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The Federal Capital Territory (FCT) Branch of Miyetti Allah Kautal Hore, a socio-cultural association, has described as unfortunate the alleged killing of a milkmaid by a soldier in Dei -Dei, saying such incidents would affect residents' perception of the duties of military personnel.

The publicity secretary of the Association, Alhaji Ibrahim Wakili, said the situation where law enforcement agents run foul of the law puts residents at risk as is evident in what he said happened on Thursday when one Binta Usman, a milkmaid, was allegedly stabbed to death by a soldier attached to a check-point.

The soldier, according to Alhaji Ibrahim, would have escaped if not for the intervention of residents, who surrounded him and overpowered him with stones before he was taken to the police station.

"When I saw how the man stabbed the woman, I was shocked. When residents have problems, they are supposed to run to soldiers or police officers for help so I was baffled on why this soldier could do such a thing," he said.

"How can someone in uniform do such a thing? If he were not in uniform, people would have had a hard time recognising him, but he was in uniform," he alleged.

He said the whereabouts of the man have been unknown since the incident, though the group is due to meet with relevant authorities on the matter today.

Binta Usman until her death resided in a Fulani settlement along Kubwa-Zuba Expressway and was survived by a husband and six children.

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