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MAN DIES AFTER BEATING AT CHIEF'S PALACE

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A man died in police cell on Thursday after being beaten by palace guards for arguing with the chief of Numana in Gwantu, Sanga LGA of Kaduna State.

The deceased, Malam Isa Idris, was a teacher in a nomadic education school in Fadan Karshi in Sanga, his brother said.

His brother told Daily Trust that Isa Idris was beaten by the palace guards for raising an objection to the chief's description of Fulani people as Boko Haram terrorists. He said the incident occurred when the Numana chief summoned them to a meeting over security challenges penultimate Thursday.

"It was during that meeting that the chief said the Fulani are Boko Haram terrorists. But my brother challenged that statement, saying it was unfair," he said.

"The chief summoned the Dagaci Fulani in Aboro district to come along with my brother to the palace last Wednesday."

He said when they came, the palace guards "mercilessly beat" Isa Idris.

"He was later taken to the Gwantu General Hospital unconscious. While he was receiving medical treatment, policemen again arrested him and locked him up. He died in the police cell on Thursday," the brother said.

A police source told Daily Trust that one of the palace guards named was arrested and taken to Kaduna on that Thursday.

Kaduna State Police spokesman Aminu Lawal did not answer or return calls and reply text messages sent to him yesterday on the matter.

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