

FARMER KILLS KINSMAN, BURIES HIM ON FARM

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Journalists and other visitors to the Kogi State police command were stunned on June 16 when one Abubakar Alfa confessed to killing his kinsman, Isah Ahmodu, and burying him on his farm.

Alfa and Ahmodu both hail from Enabo village in Ankpa local government of Kogi State, where the incident was said to have taken place. The suspect, who is in police custody, did not show any

remorse while narrating how it all happened to journalists.

Kogi State Commissioner of Police, Seidu Madawaki, while parading Alfa and other suspects before journalists in the capital Lokoja, said Alfa killed Ahmodu and buried because the deceased accused him of having an affair with his wife.

The suspect, who is in his 40s, admitted killing and burying Ahmodu on the farm, but denied having an affair with the deceased's wife.

"On June 12, while I was working on my farm, I saw two women passing by my farm talking to each other and I did not say a word to them. But I was surprised when Ahmodu later came to meet me, asking why I was talking to his wife and I told him that I didn't talk to his wife but he never believed it," Alfa told journalists.

"As we were arguing, Ahmodu gave me a machete cut on my head," the suspect said, adding that the deceased struck him a second time before he responded by striking him a machete on his neck, leading to his eventual death.

"When I discovered that he was dead, I decided to burn the corpse and bury him so that people will not know. But I never had an affair with his wife," he said.

The commissioner of police said during investigation, Alfa took detectives to the spot where he buried Ahmodu and his body was exhumed, adding that the suspect would soon be charged to court.

The police also paraded one Michael Adekeyi and Adebayo Ayobami, who are accused of defrauding unsuspecting depositors of West World Investment Ltd of over N15 million.

Maidawaki said the suspects opened an office in Lokoja and that after carting away depositors' money, they relocated to Makurdi in Benue state, where they opened another office and continued defrauding members of the public.

He said the suspects would be charged to court as soon as investigation was completed.

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