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Mother, 2 others held over death of new born baby at Dei-Dei

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Three persons said to have been involved in the death of a new born baby at Dei-Dei in Bwari Area Council have been arrested and taken to Zuba police division.

The suspects include the mother of the baby, a man said to be the father of the baby, all living at Apiyawe area of the village and a nurse with a private clinic, who was alleged to have prescribed medicine for the mother of the baby.

City News learnt that the suspects were picked up on Sunday after the baby, said to have been delivered the previous day, died under questionable circumstance.

The incident was first reported at Dei-dei Police Outpost before being transferred to Zuba Police Outpost, a police source at the village told our reporter.

A member of the Dei-Dei vigilante group who, along with other colleagues uncovered the incident, before it was handed over to the Dei-Dei police outpost, told City News that the woman, who works at the Dei-Dei abattoir as a cleaner dumped the new born baby in a dustbin at Dei-Dei, on Saturday night.

He said the woman was summoned on Sunday morning to the chief palace at Dei-dei, after the vigilante group, which got information of her action, reported the matter to the chief.

City News gathered also that the alleged father of the baby, a butcher at the Dei-dei abattoir, who allegedly picked the nursing mother in the night of the incident, was also summoned

Asked of the whereabouts of the baby at the palace, the woman said the baby had died and she had buried it somewhere in the night.

"And together with the vigilante members, the woman led the team to where the baby was packed inside a nylon bag and dumped," the source said.

When our reporter visited Zuba police division, the Divisional Police Officer (DPO), Fred Egatu, confirmed the arrest of the three persons in connection with the incident but said he was yet to be fully briefed.

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