



POLICEMAN SHOOTS KANO STUDENT



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A police corporal, attached to the Filling Hockey Police Division in Kano State, shot dead a 20-year-old student during patrol on Friday.

Abdul Yahaya shot and killed the student, Yassar Muhammad Rabi'u, of Government Secondary School Gyadi-Gyadi in Tarauni local government area of the state, while trying to disperse a group of suspected thugs, our correspondent gathered.

Speaking to Sunday Trust, the grandfather of the deceased, Abdullahi Mohammed, said his late grandson went to watch the disagreement between the policemen and the thugs, when he was shot and killed.

"My grandson went to watch what was happening between the policemen and the thugs when suddenly one of the cops opened fire and shot him four times," he said.

He said the deceased was the only person that was shot, demanding that the police authorities should ensure that the cop was prosecuted.

When contacted, the spokesperson of the Kano police command, ASP Magaji Musa Majia, confirmed the incident, saying the cop had been detained to ascertain whether he violated the force rules on the use of firearms.

"The boy was shot during routine raid of black spots by our men from Filling hockey division.... The thugs, who were smoking Indian hemp, started pelting the policemen with bottles and other harmful objects and that was why the policemen started shooting and in the process, one of our men in the person of Corporal Abdul Yahaya shot the boy," he said.

He said during the raid of the hideout, they recovered three dangerous knives and 23 wraps of Indian hemp, adding that investigation on the shooting had commenced.

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