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## CRIME

# Thugs kill trader over missing money in Nasarawa

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**T**he police in Nasarawa State are on the trail of members of a gang who allegedly tortured a trader to death under the guise of forcing him to admit that he stole his master's money.

Daily Trust gathered that the gang specializes in punishing suspected offenders to admit to allegations. The victim's master, simply known as Gwargwada, who sells foodstuff in a market in the area, had accused him of stealing the sum of N100,000 inside his shop.

A member of the deceased's family, who identified himself as Gambo Idris, informed our reporter that the master

accused his brother of stealing the money when he went out of the shop.

A sister to the deceased, Ramatu Idris, told Daily Trust that the thugs: Zubairu Bokolo, Isa Maibanga, Turaki, Kawu Rikichi, Ibrahim Short, Fucking Labourer, and Gwargwada who sponsored them, had taken her brother to a lonely place known as Afghanistan and tortured him to death. She informed that members of the group had stormed their house on several occasions in connection with the said missing money.

Father of the deceased, Malam Idris Magaji said he learnt that members of the gang had tortured his son with machinery belt, wood, burning cigarettes and Indian hemp, among

other punishments, adding that they brought him back to his family in an unconscious state.

The late Gambo, who left two children and a wife behind, was buried the following day.

The Divisional Police Officer (DPO) of Nasarawa town, G.J. Gane, confirmed the incident, adding that three of the accused persons have been arrested and handed over to the Criminal Investigation Department (CID) of the command for further investigation.

On his part, leader of the vigilante outfit in the area, Hassan Mobile, said his men had briefed the Traditional Council of Nasarawa town about the activities of the various thug groups in the town.

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