

# We slaughtered our cousin because of destiny – Suspect

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Farouq Halidu, one of the suspects who allegedly conspired with his brother, Aliyu, to kill their cousin, Idris Hamah, to steal his motorcycle has attributed their action to destiny.

He said, "It was kadara (destiny) that made us kill him. We beat him with a stick until he died. I am 21 years old, a farmer and married with children. I will not be happy if someone kills my children. I regret our action," he told **City & Crime**.

The duo were arraigned on Tuesday by the Kwara State Police Command at the revenue court in Ilorin over alleged criminal conspiracy, culpable homicide and armed robbery.

According to the charge sheet, the suspects: "Ambushed Hamah and beat him with a stick till he died before they slaughtered him and went away with his new Bajaj motorcycle while coming from Gwasera market in Baruten LGA."

They were arrested by soldiers deployed to Forward Operation Base, Karunji, in Baruten.

The prosecutor, Innocent Owoola, urged the court to remand them pending the outcome of investigation.

The Magistrate, Omotayo Adebosin, ordered their remand and adjourned to April 18, 2023.