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Newly wedded wife accused of killing husband in Niger

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A 20-year-old newly wedded woman, Aisha Aliyu of Nasarawa village in Lapai LGA of Niger State, has allegedly slaughtered her husband.

Residents told City & Crime that the incident happened around 1am on Monday when everyone was asleep.

Multiple sources said the couple got married on December 31, 2023.

One of the sources said the couple had a little misunderstanding Sunday evening and they were reconciled before going to bed until in the night when the mother of the

deceased heard her son screaming.

"When the mother came out alongside other residents in the house, they saw the husband in a pool of blood. The husband tried to run out of the room but he felt down at the doorstep and up till now, we don't know the whereabouts of the wife," one of the sources said.

The source alleged further that the woman first stabbed her husband on his chest before she eventually slaughtered him.

Asked if it was a forced marriage, sources said the couple had been in a relationship for years but before the wedding date was fixed, she had a change of mind to marry someone else.

'But even with that, issues were resolved. They started this relationship right from secondary school and they had been together. But before the marriage, she said she was no longer interested in the relationship. But the issue was resolved and she agreed eventually, not knowing that this was her plan. She said she had a new suitor,' the source further said.

When contacted, the Niger State Police Command's Public Relations Officer, DSP Wasiu Abiodun, confirmed the incident to our reporter.

He said, "Today, 12/02/2024 at about 1200hrs, information was received that in the early hours



■ The couple during their wedding of today, one Idris Ahmadu of Nasarawa village, via Lapai was stabbed to death by his wife, Aisha Aliyu (19/20yrs) of the same address.

"Before the arrival of the police at the scene, the suspect had fled to an unknown destination, while effort is being intensified to arrest the fleeing suspect. Case under investigation please."