

Police deny killing of operative in Katsina

In Katsina, one civilian and a policeman were killed, but the police debunked the killing of one of their officers.

Surajo Umar (30), of Kaware village in Kurfi LGA, was said to have died from the gunshot injuries he sustained on Thursday. His younger brother, Zaharaddeen Umar Kaware, told Daily Trust that Umar died in the hospital.

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He said the victim, who was just a passer-by and not part of the protest, died on Friday evening and was buried Saturday in his hometown of Kaware.

He said, “The last time I spoke with him was on Thursday when he told me that he was going to Sauki Clinic, Kofar Sauri, to see one of our relatives who was on admission there.

“Unfortunately, not long after that, we heard that he was shot on his waist by the police on Ring Road around Modoji Roundabout.

He added that his late brother, who was a gateman working with one Aminu Bush, the owner of A. A. Bush Filling Station in Katsina, left behind a wife and two children.

Attempts to confirm the incident from the police spokesman in Katsina, ASP Abubakar Sadiq Aliyu, did not yield results.

However, earlier in a statement, the police authorities debunked the killing of one of their personnel during the protest.



In the statement, the CP said the said person seen in a viral video was an operative of the NSCDC who fell out from an operational vehicle and was taken to the hospital, treated and discharged.