

Man who allegedly murdered lover, baby appears in court

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A Federal High Court in Kano has commenced hearing into the alleged murder of a widow and her baby by her suitor.

The suspect, Musa Lado, who had earlier dated the deceased, Umaina before she got married and separated, allegedly went back to win her hand in marriage after her divorce.

He allegedly visited her home one day in Tafki village of Kunchi now Ghari Local Government and took her out, only for her slain body and that of her baby to be found later on the outskirts of the village.

The suspect was re-arraigned before the court following advice from the Director of Public Prosecution and was charged with homicide, which is contrary to Section 221 of the Penal Code. He pleaded not guilty to the charge.

Prosecuting state counsel, Barrister Jamilu Abubakar, asked the court to give them a date for witnesses' testimony and the Presiding Judge, Justice Mohammed Uhoru adjourned the case till November 11 and ordered the remand of the suspect in Correctional Centre.