Man Slumps, Dies While Separating Couple Fighting

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A middle-aged man, identified as Joseph Ayuba, reportedly slumped and died while separating a man and his wife who were fighting in the Dogon-Ruwa community in Abaji Area Council of the FCT.

Barnabas Yakubu, a native of the community, said the incident happened on Tuesday around 5.23pm.

He stated that the couple, who were neighbours to the deceased, were engaged in a physical altercation following a misunderstanding, and Ayuba rushed out of his room to separate them.

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According to Yakubu, the deceased had just returned from his farm and was preparing to bathe when he heard his neighbour beating the wife.

He said Ayuba abandoned his sponge and bucket of water and rushed to intervene but slumped in the process.

Ayuba, who was believed to be hale and hearty before the incident, was rushed to a clinic in Gawu town, where doctors on duty confirmed him dead.

The chief of the community, upon learning of the incident, alerted some vigilantes and ordered the arrest of the couple, who were later handed over to security operatives in Gawu.

Ibrahim, one of the vigilantes, confirmed the incident, saying, "We learned that it was just a small misunderstanding that led to the fight between the deceased's neighbour and his wife."

He added that the remains of the deceased had been taken to his Paiko village in Niger State for burial.

Police at Gawu division confirmed the incident, stating that the matter is still under investigation.