

Man Kills 4-Day-Old Daughter

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The Kaduna State Police Command has confirmed the arrest of a 32-year-old man, Musa Adamu, of Kwantaresha in Sabongari local government for allegedly killing his 4-day-old baby girl.

Confirming the arrest, spokesman of the command, Aminu Lawal, stated this in an interview with LEADERSHIP Weekend in Zaria. He said the suspect was detained at Sabongari police station.

Lawal also said that Adamu would be transferred to State Security Service headquarters in Kaduna for further investigation.

A source hinted that the incident occurred on Tuesday and was immediately reported at the Sabongari police station.

LEADERSHIP Weekend gathered that the suspected murderer impregnated the mother of the child, Jikan Yar Sale, also of

Kwantaresha near Dogarawa out of wedlock.

According to investigation by our correspondent, the suspect has been in a relationship with the mother of the baby for a long time.

A reliable source who pleaded anonymity said the suspect had earlier agreed to take responsibility for the baby shortly after her delivery following a family meeting of both parents.

The source added that four days after the delivery of the baby, Adamu went to the mother in pretence to see the baby.

"The mother of the baby happily brought the baby to him, not knowing that he had an ulterior motive. The mother left him with the baby and stepped out of the room for some household chores. The suspect used the opportunity to poison the baby," the source said.