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## Former Lawmaker's Son Remanded For Murder

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A Katsina State High Court sitting in Funtua has remanded 25-year-old Mu'ammar Tukur, of Bakori local government area, in prison custody for alleged culpable homicide.

The accused is the son of late Tukur Makama, former District Head of Bakori and two-time House of Representatives member who represented Bakori/Danja Federal Constituency.

Tukur was standing trial for allegedly stabbing to death, his friend, one Shafir Muktar, as a result of a quarrel which ensued between them after a football match in April 2008.

The accused was charged to court under section 221 of the Penal Code law, but reportedly took to his heel after the incident, until he was apprehended at the burial of his mother this year in Bakori town.

During the hearing on Wednesday, the prosecution counsel, Aminu Garba, led four witnesses – Abdullahi Muktar, Abdulbasir Muktar, Jamilu Aminu and Ismail Nura – who testified as eye witnesses.

The trial judge, Justice Abbas Bawale, adjourned the case to June 10 for hearing and ordered that the accused to be remanded in prison custody after cross examinations of the witnesses by the defence counsel, Mr Abdulaziz Olagoke.

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