

Murder Of Late Kogi Perm Sec: Family Demands Justice

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The family of late Mr Daniel Akubo, a retired permanent secretary in the Ministry of Health during the administration of Prince Abubakar Audu, a former governor of Kogi State, are calling for justice, saying they are not satisfied with the way the Police, politicians and traditional institution in the area are handling the case.

The late Daniel Akubo, 63, a chieftain of the All Progressives Congress (APC), was brutally murdered at his country home in Aloma, Ofu local government

area of Kogi State on May 10, 2015.

The son of the deceased, Mr Ojonugwa Akubo who spoke to journalists yesterday in Abuja, said that the family is calling on the Inspector-General of the Police to expedite action in their investigations so that the culprit will be prosecuted without further delay.

"We are also calling on the political actors in the State to thread with caution so as not to sweep this case under the carpet, we are calling on the judiciary to rise up to its responsibility on this matter as soon as the case comes to

the courts to ensure that justice prevails. This is the change we voted for and the change must be effected," he stated.

According to Akubo, the family wants government to ensure that perpetrators of such dastardly acts, no matter how highly placed in the society are punished and brought to book to serve as deterrent to others.

Narrating the circumstances leading to the death of Daniel Akubo to newsmen, the deceased's cousin, Akubo Junior said, "On May 10, 2015, one Mr Achema Salifu invaded our late son's family compound in Aloma,

Ofu local government council, Kogi State and initially attacked some family members, destroyed valuable properties for no just cause.

"Thereafter, Salifu proceeded to the private residence of late Daniel Adaji Akubo the same night and dragged him out from his bed, attacked him with all arsenals at his disposal to the point of death and immediately, Daniel Akubo gave up the ghost.

He said although Mr Salifu Achema is now in police custody in Lokoja, but no further action has so far been taking against the culprit for justice to prevail.

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