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SEVEN suspected gunmen Monday killed a State Security Service (SSS) official and four members of his family at their Kundila Housing Estate home, Off Zoo Road, Kano.

A neighbour said the suspects entered the Alhaji Garba Hadejia's home at about 1:30 am.

His wife, Habiba, 38, and children – Khalifa, 17; Hafsat, 19; and Murja, 6 - were murdered.

Two other children – Bello, 21, a student of Kano State University of Science and Technology, Wudil, and Farouk, were injured.

It was learnt that Hadejia, who was serving in the SSS Medical Department in Sokoto, had taken ill and was given a sick leave.

Commissioner of Police Mohammed Gana said the gunmen were likely to be assasins.

Gana said: "This is a clear case of assassination. We have checked the whole house and nothing was removed there. We were there this morning (yesterday), preliminary investigation indicated that it was not a robbery attack.

"The day before Monday, he complained that an unknown person locked him inside. When he wanted to come out for prayer, he discovered that his gate had been locked from outside. He had to make calls to somebody to break the gate for him to come for prayer."

"Two of his children escaped. We are going to interrogate them to find out whether they can give us any clue. Investigation is on and no arrest has been made."

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