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Three youths, who allegedly shot dead a 19-year-old, Mustapha Bala, were remanded yesterday in Makurdi Medium Prisons on the orders of a Makurdi Magistrate's Court.

The Magistrate, Mrs Theresa Wergba, directed that the youths be kept behind bars, pending the outcome of investigation into the murder.

The accused are: Samaila Salisu, 20; Mohammed Abubakar, 20 and Abubakar Idris, 25; all of Wadata Quarters in Makurdi, the Benue State capital.

The trio is facing a two-count charge of criminal conspiracy and culpable homicide.

Also, the prosecutor, Insp. Micheal Iorundu, told the court that the case was reported at the 'A' Divisional Police headquarters in Makurdi by Salisu Bala of 17, Sokoto Street, Wadata, Makurdi, on April 22.

According to him, the three accused came to Bala's house on a motorcycle and attacked his 19-year-old son, Mustapha, who was asleep outside.

Iorundu said the first accused brought out a gun and shot the victim on the forehead, leading instantly to his death.

The policeman said the offences contravened Sections 97 and 222 of Penal Code.

The prosecutor said investigation into the matter was still ongoing.

He urged the court to adjourn the matter.

The magistrate adjourned the matter till June 24 for mention.

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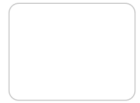
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