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Corporal kills ASP, threatens to shoot girlfriend

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A police corporal attached to Geshua Division of the Yobe State, on Friday, shot an Assistant Superintendent of Police, Soji Elegbede, to death over a feud involving the corporal and his girlfriend.

A police source told Saturday Tribune that the incident occurred at about 9.00 a.m.

The corporal, whose name was given as Andrawusu Bitrus, reportedly fired 10 rounds from his AK 47 rifle while the deceased stood in the charge room of the division, killing him instantly.

Bitrus was said to have been disarmed immediately and arrested.

It was gathered that the corporal had been having issues with his lover, who he was having an affair with after abandoning his wife with six children.

The girlfriend was reported to have been visiting the police station where Bitrus worked and the Divisional Police Officer had tried intervening in the matter.

When the lady visited again on Friday, the DPO was reportedly on casual leave and ASP Elegbede, as the most senior officer and the administrative officer, advised the lovers to try and settle their differences amicably at home.

As the woman made to leave with the driver who brought her, Corporal Bitrus allegedly coked his gun and ordered the duo to freeze.

The deceased was said to have gone to the charge room where he gave the order that the corporal be defaulted for coking his gun at civilians.

Bitrus reportedly went to him in the charge room and shot and killed him.

The remains of the officer have been deposited in the morgue at the Federal Medical Centre, Nguru.

A source told Saturday Tribune that the deceased joined the Nigeria Police about two years ago as a Cadet Assistant Superintendent of Police and just got married less than six months ago.

He was said to be an indigene of Abeokuta, Ogun State.

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