

Ritualist to die by hanging for killing 2 brothers

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A Kogi State High Court sitting in Koton-Karfe, on Monday, sentenced a ritualist, Ibrahim Mohammed, to death by hanging in connection with the murder of two brothers.

Mohammed was accused of first poisoning the brothers, Muhammed Kudu Abubakar and Umar Tanko, to weaken them, and thereafter hit them on the head with pestle to kill them.

The accused, who was said to have committed the offence in January 2016, later buried their corpses in a shallow grave in his compound.

Delivering judgment, Justice Alaba Omoleye-Ajileye, said the accused was found guilty of the charges preferred against him and should, therefore, be

hanged.

The two-count charge read: "That you, Ibrahim Muhammed, on or about the 10th day of January, 2016 at Kugbani village in Kogi Local Government Area within the Kogi State judicial division, robbed Tanko Abubakar of his Toyota Carina E Wagon with registration number BDA 902AA and thereby committed an offence punishable under Section 298(a) of the Penal Code.

"That you, Ibrahim Muhammed, on or about the 10th day of January, 2016 at Kugbani village in Kogi Local Government Area within the Kogi State judicial division, did commit culpable homicide punishable with death by doing an act to wit: you killed Tanko Abubakar by hitting him on the head with a pestle with the intention of killing him and you thereby committed an offence punishable under Section 221(a) of the Penal Code.

Delivering his judgment, the judge said, "Sometime

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