Woman poisons rival wife's four-day-old baby in Kano

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A 30-year-old woman, Firdausi (surname withheld), in Gainawa village, Kano, has reportedly poisoned her rival wife's four-day-old son.

It was gathered that Firdausi, out of jealousy, carried out the act after her husband married the mother of the baby, who is the daughter of her close friend.

A family source alleged that the suspect put insecticide into the baby's mouth when he was put in her care after the mother went to have her bath.

It was gathered that the suspect raised the alarm after the baby started crying, prompting the mother and neighbours to rush to the scene.

However, one of the neighbours perceived the smell of insecticide in the baby's mouth and revealed the baby had been poisoned.

Confirming the incident, the Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO) in the state, Abdullahi Haruna Kiyawa, said the baby was rushed to Kura General Hospital, where he was confirmed dead by a medical doctor.

The police spokesperson, however, disclosed that the suspect had confessed to