based violence against women and children in Kaduna, on Thursday. Photo: NAN

Bauchi gov expresses shock at killing of almajiri, vows to fish out perpetrators

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BAUCHI State governor, Senator Bala Muhammed Abdulkadir, has described as sad and unfortunate the gruesome killing of 11-yearold Almajiri, one Yunusa, byyet-to-be identified people believed to be ritualists.

After smashing the skull of the *almajiri*, the assailants removed his brain at Kofar Wambai area of Bauchi metropolis. The governor said this on Thursday after he paid a condolence visit to the family of the deceased, where he reiterated that his administration would not condone any form of crime and criminality in the state. He pledged to collaborate with security agencies to fish out the culprits.

Bala Mohammed, who was represented by the Commissioner for Religious Affairs, Umar Babayo Kesa, advised communities in the state to be vigilant and alert security agencies to respond to any suspicious movement for prompt action.

He directed security personnel to track down and arrest anybody found to have had a hand in the killing.

He condoled with the family of the deceased and prayed Allah to give the family fortitude to bear the irreparable loss.

On his part, the state

Chairman of Traditional Quranic School, Alaramma Zakariyau Dauduwo, expressed dismay over the killing of the pupil and condoled with the family.

Also, the Qur'anic teacher of the pupil, Alaramma Muhammadu Auwalu, commended the state government for its concern and said that the biological father of the deceased had taken the incident as an act of destiny.