

Gunmen kill Katsina commissioner

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THE Katsina State Commissioner for Science, Technology and Innovation, Dr Rabe Nasir, has been killed by gunmen at his residence.

Dr Nasir was Governor Aminu Masari's aide in science and technology from 2015 to 2019 before he was made a commissioner.

The late commissioner also represented Mani/Bindawa federal constituency for four years.

It was gathered the deceased might have been killed on Wednesday night.

According to his neighbour who craved anonymity, his body was discovered in the evening after he failed to return several calls made to him "only for us to discover

his body this morning when we entered his house.

"More worrisome is that we are living near the state police command," the neighbour added.

The state Commissioner of Police, Sanusi Buba, confirmed the incident when he visited the residence of the deceased on Thursday evening at Fatima Shema Estate in Katsina.

Buba said the commissioner was killed on Wednesday night but the crime was not detected until Thursday afternoon.

He said the deceased's body had been taken to the Federal Medical Centre, Katsina, adding that one person had already been arrested in connection with the murder.