Police arrest Immigration officer, one

other for culpable homicide in Gombe

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GOMBE State police command has arrested a 44-year-old officer of the Nigeria Immigration Service, Ishaku (surname withheld) of Billiri Local Government Area for the offence of alleged culpable homicide.

According to a press release, the state Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO), ASP Mahid Mu'azu Abubakar, said: "On June 10, at about Police Headquarters in Billiri received a complaint that the suspect, who is a serving officer of the Nigeria Immigration Service, Billiri formation, stabbed one Mela Andrawus (30) of Awai Quarters, Billiri LGA on his chest during a minor argument at a drinking joint in Billiri.

The PPRO said on receipt of the complaint, the Divisional Police Officer (DPO) and his team rushed to the scene, where they succeeded in arresting the suspect, and took the victim to the Police Clinic at Billiri, where he was certified dead by a medical doctor. He said a knife was recovered as exhibit, adding that the suspect had confessed to the crime.

The command also arrested one Babangida (21) of Zenge village in Kaltungo LGA for the offence of culpable homicide.

"It was reported that on June 12, at about 3:30 p.m., a case of culpable homicide was reported at Awak Division that on same day, at about 4:00 a.m., the suspect strangled his wife and killed her.

The police spokesperson quoted the Commissioner of Police, Ishola Babaita, as saying that the suspects would be charged to court upon conclusion of investigation into the cases.