

Man to die by hanging for killing stepmother in Kano

A Kano State High Court on Thursday sentenced one Sagiru Abdullahi (29) to death by hanging for stabbing his stepmother, Zainab Dan'azumi (55) to death, the News Agency of Nigeria (NAN) has reported.

The court had earlier convicted Abdullahi of Kur-

mawa Quarters, Kano, on a one-count charge of culpable homicide.

Justice Aisha Mahmoud held that the prosecution had proved its case beyond reasonable doubt and sentenced the convict to death.

The prosecution counsel, Mr Tijjani Ibrahim, had

earlier told the court that Abdullahi committed the offence in June 2014 at Kurmawa Quarters, Kano.

He said the convict dealt several machete cuts on the victim's head, which led to her death.

"The victim was rushed to the Murtala Mohammed Specialist Hospital, Kano, where she was confirmed dead by a doctor," he said.

Ibrahim presented five — witnesses and tendered six exhibits to prove the case against Abdullahi, who denied committing the offence.

Abdullahi called four witnesses in his defence.