

Herbalist, concubine kill, dump baby's corpse in latrine

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The Katsina State Police Command has arrested an herbalist, Abubakar Saleh, for allegedly strangling a newborn baby and dumping its corpse in a latrine.

Also detained was the mother of the baby, Fatima Garba, who was Saleh's concubine.

The spokesman for the command, DSP Gambo Isah, said the incident happened in Gyaza village, in the Kafur Local Government Area of the state.

He noted that Fatima had a dispute with her husband, Sule Abubakar, and was sent out of her matrimonial home.

He said, “Fatima consulted the herbalist, who assured her that her husband would take her back.

“True to the herbalist’s words, Fatima’s husband recalled her, which made her to trust the herbalist.

“She started frequenting the man’s house. The man began sleeping with her, which resulted in a pregnancy.”

He said other wives of her husband noticed the pregnancy and mocked her.

After she gave birth, she reportedly took the baby to the herbalist, who allegedly strangled it and threw the corpse inside the latrine.

Isah said the police got wind of the incident and recovered the baby’s remains in the latrine. He added that the police had started investigation.