One killed in Jigawa cult clash

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The Jigawa State Police Command said it had dispatched reinforcement to the Guri Local Government Area of the state where one person was killed during a clash between two rival groups along Guri-Adiyani Feeder Road.

The spokesman for the command, SP Abdu Jinjiri, who confirmed the incident to newsmen in Dutse, on Friday, explained that the police got a distress from the Bodala Fulani settlement over a misunderstanding among some Hausa and Fulani persons.

Jinjiri stated, "On Thursday at 4.56pm, the police received a distress call from Bodala Fulani settlement in Guri LGA that there was a misunderstanding between some Hausa and Fulani people in the area. As a result, one Abubakar Dauda, aged 38, of Yalari quarters of Guri town from Hausa community sustained machete cuts on his back, head and both hands.

"The victim was rushed to the Hadejia General Hospital by the police where he died while receiving treatment. One Usman Isah, aged 30, of Bodala Fulani settlement was arrested."

Meanwhile, at least 35 persons suspected to be members of two unlawful societies identified as Black Axe and Eiye Confraternity, were, on Friday, arraigned before a Yaba Chief Magistrates' Court in Lagos.

The News Agency of Nigeria reports that the prosecutor, ASP Thomas Nurudeen, told the court that the defendants, who were docked on two counts of conspiracy and belonging to unlawful societies, committed the offences at midnight on November 20 at different locations in Lagos.

But the defendants pleaded not guilty to the charges and were granted bail in the sum of N200,000 each with one surety in like sum.

The presiding magistrate, K.B. Ayeye, who adjourned the case till March 17, for mention said that the surety must be responsible, gainfully employed and must show evidence of three years tax payment to the Lagos State Government.

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