Inspector kills corporal in Abuja, commits suicide

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Bala Ciroma

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Residents of Dutsen Alhaji, Kubwa in the Federal Capital Territory, Abuja, were horrified on Saturday as a police Inspector shot dead a Corporal and also injured a Deputy Superintendent of Police.

After killing the junior policeman, the unidentified Inspector then shot himself dead.

The incident which reportedly occurred around 4.30pm sparked fear in the area.

Details of the incident were sketchy but the deputy FCT police spokesperson, ASP

Miriam Yusuf, confirmed the incident.

Yusuf in a statement said, "The FCT Police Command regrettably condemns the

unfortunate incident that took place at Dutsen Alhaji Division involving the murder of

a police Corporal by an Inspector.

"Preliminary investigation reveals that the deceased Inspector fired a shot at the

Corporal leading to his death and injuring a Deputy Superintendent of Police before

he committed suicide."

While commiserating with the family members of the deceased, Yusuf explained that

the FCT Commissioner of Police, Bala Ciroma, has ordered a discreet investigation

into the incident and put measures in place to forestall a recurrence of such an

incident.

The command urged residents to remain calm while reiterating its commitment to

provide adequate security during the Christmas and New Year celebrations.

Ciroma also confirmed the tragic incident to Sunday PUNCH on the phone but

declined to provide details, stating that investigation was in progress.

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