Three arrested for killing Bauchi policeman

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The Bauchi State Police Command has arrested three suspects in connection with the killing of a policeman, Bala Magaji, on July 25, 2023.

The state Police Public Relations Officer, Ahmed Wakil, disclosed this in a statement made available to journalists on Wednesday.

He said Magaji, a constable attached to Darazo Divisional Police Headquarters, was killed while on duty at Anguwar Abuja in Konkiyel village.

The PPRO said, "The Bauchi State Police Command has arrested three suspects in connection with the gruesome killing of a policeman in Konkiyel village of Darazo Local Government Area of the state.

"Police Constable Bala Magaji who was attached to Darazo Divisional Police Headquarters was attacked on July 25, 2023, while on active official duty at Anguwar Abuja in Konkiyel village.

"The unfortunate incident led to a painstaking investigation by the command to unravel the circumstances that surrounded the death of the officer.

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"Consequently, three suspects were arrested during the investigation. They are Aminu Mohammed aka Kangado, (35) of Anguwar Sarkin Baka Konkiyel village (the principal suspect and Abdullahi Abubakar aka Duna (23) of Bakin Kasuwa; Konkiyel village. Balarabe Abubakar (34) and six others are still at large."

Wakil said the suspects confessed to killing the policeman with a machete and sticks.

"One of the suspects, Aminu Mohammed aka Kangado, in his confession narrated that they took advantage of the dark hour and stabbed the officer multiple times in the back with a machete, while other accomplices used stones and sticks and hit the officer on the head.

"As a result, he sustained multiple injuries and lost blood. The officer was immediately evacuated to the General Hospital Darazo where he was certified dead by a medical doctor," he added.

The police spokesman said efforts had been intensified to apprehend other members of the gang who are still at large.