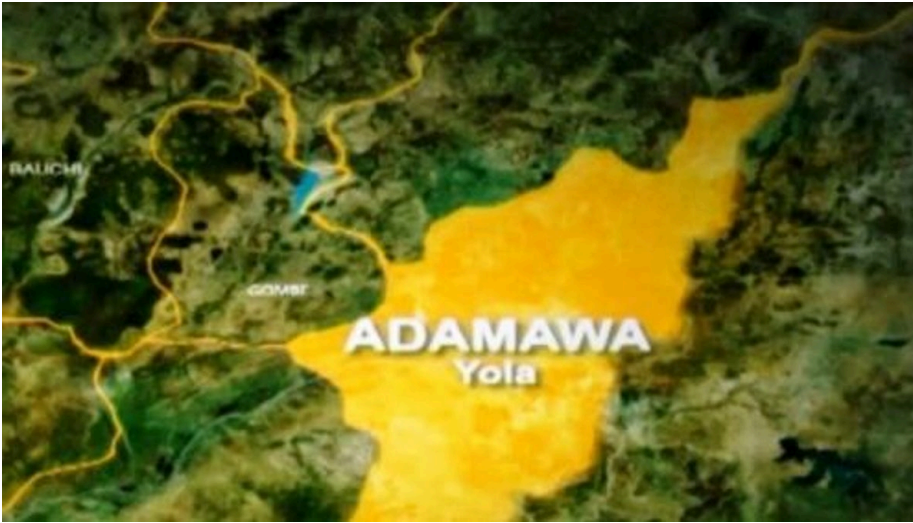


Adamawa man faces trial for killing minor, two others

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The Adamawa State Police Command has announced the arrest of a 29-year-old man, Isiaka Hassan, for killing a five-year-old minor.

The command's spokesman, SP Suleiman Nguroje, in a statement on Monday in Yola, stated, "The Adamawa State Police Command received a report from Hadiza Bashiru of Tingno, Lamurde LGA, that her five-year-old son, Abba Bashiru, was missing and was last seen with one Isiaka Hassan.

"On the strength of that, the command's operatives led by the Divisional Police Officer, Tingno, swiftly led an operation and arrested the said Isiaka Hassan, who during interrogation confessed to having conspired with one yet-to-be-arrested person to kill the boy and bury him in a shallow grave."

The statement disclosed that the corpse of the minor was exhumed and taken to the hospital for autopsy, noting that the Commissioner of Police, Dankombo Morris, directed the State Criminal Investigation Department to take over the case and ensure the arrest of the fleeing suspect.

In a similar development, the command has recorded another breakthrough in its fight against crime.

The operatives of the command led by the DPO Yola Division, acting on credible intelligence, arrested one Musa Suleh, of Uba Hong Local Government Area, for being in possession of vehicles suspected to be stolen.

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“The suspect was apprehended at the Jambutu Motor Park, Yola North LGA. Upon interrogation, he confessed to stealing a Toyota Starlet, with registration number YLA-420, belonging to one Babawo Abubakar of Ngurore, Yola South LGA. The vehicle has since been recovered.

“Another Toyota Starlet, green in colour, with number plate JAL-861 CL was equally found in his possession with no single document or proof of ownership to justify ownership of the vehicle.”

Morris directed that the case be transferred to the State CID for further investigation with a view to uncovering the source of the vehicles.

The command called on the public to cooperate with the police by giving timely and useful information regarding suspicious characters around them and reassured them that its unwavering commitment to safeguarding lives and property is the top priority of the command

According to the police boss, the suspects will be charged in court upon completion of the investigation.

