

# Family drags Bauchi deputy speaker to court, demands N35m compensation

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**T**he family of Husseini Ibrahim, who was killed by a vehicle allegedly driven by son of the deputy speaker of Bauchi State House of Assembly, Alhaji Saleh Jumba, has gone to a Sharia Court to seek for compensation of N35 million known as Diyya in Islam.

The deceased's twin brother, Hassan Ibrahim, said the family decided to go to court because the family of the deputy speaker did not show any remorse..

Hassan said his brother was killed when Abubakar Adamu lost control of his car and hit Husseini on his motorcycle in March 2012.

"I received a call that my

brother Husseini was hit by a car at Bakin Kura in Bauchi State and was rushed to the Abubakar Tafawa Balewa University Teaching Hospital. He had serious head injuries.

"Luckily, the man who took my brother and the driver, Abubakar Adamu, to the hospital was a policeman. To our surprise, the deputy speaker came to the hospital and transferred him to the General Hospital, Tahsna Babaye.

"When the policeman who brought them to the hospital asked why he did that without police report, he told him that the policeman had no right to question him."

Hassan said the family was surprised when they learnt that Abubakar Adamu was discharged from the hospital after three days

and travelled to Saudi Arabia for the Muslim pilgrimage.

"They left our brother in hospital and he died six days later.

Not once did they visit him to know how the children and wives he left behind are faring. To add salt to injury, the vehicle that Abubakar Adamu used to knock my brother was released to him by the police and we heard that he has been driving it around town.

"Though after the death of my brother, the deputy speaker sent emissary from the Emir of Dass, Alhaji Bilayaminu, led by the state Commissioner of Information, Damina and urged us not to go to court and promised to do something to alleviate the suffering of the deceased's family.

The bereaved brother said since then nothing had been heard from the accused family, saying "When we approached the court, they sent a lawyer that we should settle out of court but they kept evading us even as I am speaking to you now, we have not heard from them.

When contacted, the counsel to the accused, M. Bakaro told Daily Sun that he was no longer competent to speak on the matter saying the family of the defendant requested him to transfer the case to another lawyer.

He asked Daily Sun reporter to contact Mohammed Abubakar and Co and asked of the senior partner I. D. Buzi. Efforts to get the new counsel to the defendant did not succeed at the time of filing this report.

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deficit in the budget was as a result of debt accrued from previous administrations, as far back as 1965.