Katsina: Woman stabs co-wife to death

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From Agaju Madugba, Katsina

The police in Katsina have arrested a woman for allegedly stabbing her co-wife to death in Daura over a domestic dispute.

A statement on Sunday by the Police Public Relations Officer, DSP Abubakar Sadiq Aliyu, said that the 25 years old suspect, Rabi'a Labaran, confessed to have committed the crime.

According to the statement, "The Katsina State Police Command on May 24th, 2025, arrested a 25-year-old housewife suspected to be in connection with a case of culpable homicide.

"A tragic incident occurred behind Dadi Primary School, Sabon Gari Area of Daura town, Daura Local Government Area, when a domestic dispute between co-wives was suspected to have escalated into a fatal confrontation.

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"On May 24, 2025, at about 11pm, a report was received at the Sabon Gari Division through one Nasir Yusuf, the husband, that he had returned home from the market and found his first wife, Zainab Lawal, 30 years old, lying in a pool of blood; she had been stabbed multiple times with a knife.

"Upon receipt of the report, the DPO led a team of operatives to the scene and subsequently rushed the victim to Federal Medical Centre Daura for medical attention, where she was pronounced dead by the doctor on duty.

"During the investigation, her co-wife, one Rabi'a Labaran, of the same address, was arrested in connection with the offence, where she confessed to the commission of the offence, stating that a misunderstanding with the deceased led to a scuffle and the tragic incident.

"Investigation is ongoing. The Commissioner of Police, Katsina State Command, CP Bello Shehu, urges members of the public to shun all acts of domestic violence and refrain from taking the law into their own hands, instead seeking legal means for redress in cases of disputes."