

Man beheads, harvests internal organs of Okada rider in Niger



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A suspected ritual killer, Tunde Tayo of Ungwan Roka, Maitumbi, Minna in Bosso Local Government Area of Niger State has been arrested by the Police after burying a headless body in his uncompleted building. Tayo was caught after cutting off the head and removing the heart and intestines of the Okada at the Crystal FM area in Maitunbi. The victim, 25-year-old Abdullahi Salle, our Correspondent learnt, was a bikeman popularly known as Okada.

The 30-year-old Tayo was reportedly apprehended by police operatives attached to the Maitumbi Division for killing his victim of Ungwan Rama for ritual purposes. Upon interrogation, the suspect claimed to be clearing grasses grown in the building before he was apprehended. Further investigation revealed that Salle's body was buried by the suspect in a shallow grave near his house. In an interview with our Correspondent on Saturday, the suspect said he

lured his victim to his uncompleted building in Ungwan Roka, where he carried out the crime.

According to him: "I beheaded and removed Salle's intestines and heart for ritual purposes. I even buried him in a shallow grave in my uncompleted house. "It was when I tried to cover his body and the grave with grass that people around found out and noticed what I did. They held me, raised alarm and that was how I found myself in police net." According to Tayo, a father of five children and a welder in Sabon-Gari area of Minna,

"I never knew that police can get at me, it was frustrations and inconsistence in life that made me to commit the crime. I am ruined."

When asked whether his wife knew about his escapades, he said: "Nobody knows I am into ritual business, my wife does not know anything concerning the ritual business, she only knows me as a welder." Confirming the incident, the Command's Public Relations Officer, Muhammad Abubakar, said the suspect had confessed to the crime. Accordingly, Abubakar said: "Upon exhumation of the victim's body it was discovered that the head and other internal parts had been removed." Furthermore, he said the suspect would be charged to court after the conclusion of investigations.

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