

Sallah: How My Son Was Killed By Vigilance Group – Father



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The district head of Miri, Alh Hussaini Abubakar Ghani, has revealed how his only dependable son was killed by a vigilance group of Bauchi State Vigilante and Youth Empowerment Agency on second day of Sallah in Bauchi. The district head made the allegations when he granted audience to newsmen over the weekend at his residence at Tura, off Emir's Drive in Bauchi.

According to the District Head who categorically said that he was the target of the killers, but his son was taken in his place, "I'm sure they targeted me, it's me that they wanted to kill, but unfortunately my son was killed after I lifted him."

He revealed that the group had attacked his procession for three consecutive times and that he knew their motive or intention against him, "until what happened to my son, they've attack us firstly at Tashan Babeye, secondly at Sheikh Dahiru mosque and

thirdly along the Emir's Drive towards my house as we were coming back to the house with my procession after paying homage to the Emir.

And during the last encounter, someone among the Vigilance group members shot my son with live ammunition and he died immediately." He equally accused them of brutalising and beating people unnecessarily without any reason, "I have the video clips with me and I will provide it for you as evidence to prove my allegations." "I have filled and forwarded my complaints to the relevant security authority and government officials to inform them and seek justice over the death of my son.

"I'm appealing to the government to arrest the vigilance officials and make deep investigation on the matter with a view to fishing out those behind the killing," the district head said. He described the incident as very unfortunate, because it was a day that Muslims Ummah are celebrating the Sallah, following the completion of one month Ramadan and some people have created crisis and confusion which led to the death of many people, while others sustained various degrees of injuries, saying "it's uncalled for, the government and security agencies must do something on the act."

All efforts to get the reaction of officials and management of the Agency allegedly responsible for the killing proved abortive as the admin officer refused to comment on ed to have drowned in the hotel's swimming pool last week. The Director of Army Public Relations (DAPR) Major Gen. Onyema Nwachukwu said: "We are deeply concerned by the alleged unprofessional conduct of some of its personnel in the tragic death of a hotel manager in Umuahia, Abia State, as reported in some online media.

"In response to this unfortunate incident, the COAS has promptly ordered a comprehensive investigation to ascertain the facts and bring to book, anyone found culpable." which reconnaissance found to have been loaded with illegally-refined products were equally destroyed. "Similar reconnaissance missions were conducted over Ogbomkiri community where an active illegal refining site was identified and destroyed.

"Reconnaissance over Arugbana community showed that oil thieves were trying to set up an illegal refining site and, on sighting the approaching aircraft, they scampered to safety. "Several illegal sites were also observed at Samkiri community and were engaged and destroyed.

"In all, about seven illegal refining sites and four boats were discovered and destroyed in the two-day operation," Gabkwet added. the matter and promised to call back when his boss the Director General of the Agency who doubles as Senior Special Assistant (SSA) on Security to the Bauchi State Governor, Umar Aliyu Shayi, returns from his official engagement at Yankari Game Reserves.

Another effort to get his reaction through the phone was not also successful as Umar Shayi said he was away from for official assignment, but that he will respond when he comes back. Similarly, the State Police Command is yet to issue any statement at the time of filling this report. Recall that the late Muhammadu Ghani, aged 25, was reported killed by the Vigilance group on the second day of Sallah during a traditional culture of "Hawan Bariki" normally paid to the Governor at his residence a day after Sallah.