

Also, the tribunal found Dr. Lan of Mpape in Bwari area of Abuja guilty of actions that led to the death of Echefule Obiayi, and was suspended for six months.

He was accused of operating a hospital at Mpape, Bwari area of Abuja without a registered doctor or nurse, while relying on community extension workers to carry out health services. Prosecutors said his action endangered the life of Obiayi, who approached the hospital for treatment, adding that the victim later died.

While delivering judgment on the case, Prof Hassan said: "The tribunal considered the plea by the defence counsel that the doctor is a first offender who has been practicing for over 20 years without any query and has been in suspension since July 2019.

"However, in this case, there is a loss of life as a result of professional misconduct and infamous practice. The tribunal has an option of giving maximum sentence of striking his name off the register, but in view of what had been outlined by the defence counsel, the tribunal has decided to suspend you for six month from the date of this judgment."

Prosecution counsel, Sanusi Musa, and defence counsel, Terlumun Azoon, both expressed satisfaction on the tribunal's verdict.