Police torture man to death

ANKARA—THE po lice in Katsina State have confirmed the death of a youth reportedly tortured by a sergeant in Yar Goje village of Kankara Local Government Area.

Deputy Commissioner of Police Balla Magaji said investigation into the matter had begun while the sergeant had been detained.

The deceased, Sirajo Mohammed, was alleged to have stolen a bottle of palm oil in the village market on Saturday.

It was gathered that the suspect was taken to the police post where he was detained by the sergeant on duty then.

Sources said Mohammed died on Sunday night of torture.

Following the incident, the villagers who handed Mohammed to the police, mobilised to attack the post but the intervention of the village head, Malam Ibrahim Isa, and council chairman Mamman Sani saved the situation.