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## Nigeria: Man Kills Nephew for Refusing to Go to School

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A middle-aged carpenter in Plateau State has run into trouble for killing his nephew through electrocution while trying to punish him for refusing to go to school.

The man simply identified as Davou of Farin-Lamba village of Jos South Local Government who is now in police custody, allegedly tied the nephew's hands with an electric cable which he plugged into a socket.

The nephew, Ezekiel Ishaku was electrocuted in the process throwing the village into confusion.

Davou was said to have warned the deceased repeatedly over his refusal to attend school regularly and when he (Ezekiel) did not change, he decided to teach him a lesson.

However, the punishment he chose to administer turned awry as Ezekiel collapsed and became unconscious while serving the punishment.

A panic-stricken Davou was said to have rushed the deceased to the Vom Christian Hospital where he was confirmed dead.

Mother of the deceased, Mrs. Hannatu Ishaku told journalists that she was away to the farm when the incident occurred and only came back to be greeted with the bad news.

Spokesman of Plateau Police Command Assistant Superintendent Bala Kassim who confirmed the incident and the arrest of the uncle said investigations were continuing into the matter.

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He said the state Police Commissioner, Mr. Samson Wudah has directed that the case be transferred from Kaduna Vom Divisional Police station to the Criminal Investigations Department at the headquarters in Jos for proper investigation.

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