Man head butts friend to death in Plateau

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A 28-year-old man, Daniel Peter, appeared before a Jos high court yesterday, charged with head-butting his friend, Yakubu Abre, which resulted into his death.

Peter, a resident of Angwan Wakili, Tudun Wada in Jos, was accused of culpable homicide, an offence the police prosecutor, Mr. E. I. Inegbenoise, said contravened Section 222 of the Penal Code Laws of Northern Nigeria.

He told the court: "The accused used his head to hit his victim, who fell on the ground and hit his head on a stone. He died a few days later. The offence was committed on December 21, 2016."

The prosecutor quoted the accused as saying that he alerted others with who he rushed Abre to a clinic in Tudun Wada from where they were referred to the Plateau Specialist Hospital.

Inegbenoise said that on the way to the hospital, the deceased changed his mind and insisted that he be taken home, which they did.

The prosecutor further quoted the accused as saying that he visited the deceased the next day but that when he returned home, he was told that he developed complications and was rushed to the hospital where he died.

The judge, Justice D. D. Longji, who did not take Peter's plea, adjourned the matter until July 21, for hearing and ordered the accused remanded in prison custody.