

Housewife kills 2-week-old stepson because she was forced into marriage

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Bauchi—A jealous housewife, Hindatu Abdullahi, who killed her two-week-old stepson so that her husband can divorce her, said she was forced into the union.

The incident occurred at Wuro Bogga village, Duguri District in Alkaleri Local Government Area of Bauchi State.

In her confession at the state Police Command, the suspect, Hindatu, said: “I was forced by my parents into marrying Abdullahi Ori against my wish.

“I killed my stepson because I was fed up with my marriage and I wanted a divorce. I felt that the only way to get a divorce was to kill my stepson so that my husband can divorce me.”

The state Police Commissioner, Sanusi Lemu, while parading the suspect at the Police Headquarters in Bauchi yesterday, said on August 19, at 8a.m., a case of murder was reported at Maina Maji Police Division in Alkaleri Local Government Area of Bauchi State.

The state Police Public Relations Officer, DSP Kamal Abubakar, who spoke on behalf of the Commissioner of Police, said the suspect collected the baby of her co-wife, Fatima Abdullahi, and went into her room to carry out the act.

Husband in Saudi Arabia

He said the suspect’s husband, Abdullahi Ori, travelled to Saudi Arabia to perform this year’s *Hajj*, leaving his two wives at home.

According to Abubakar, “the baby, named Mohammed Abdullahi, was killed when his step-mother fed him an insecticide.

“The baby became unconscious and was rushed to a nearby dispensary at Gigyari village, later the baby died while they were trying to get him to the General Hospital .”

He said the suspect was arrested and the remaining quantity of the toxic insecticide was also recovered, adding that the suspect confessed to the offence, for which she will be charged to court.