# Gunmen kill cleric, wife in Taraba, Ishaku ●Policeman shoots Okada rider dead over N100 condemns killing

By Umar Yusuf & Femi Bolaji

JALINGO—SUSPECTED milifiamen have reportedly killed a pastor with the Christian Reformed Church-Nigeria, CRC-N, in Donga Local Government Area of Taraba State, Emmanuel Bileya, and his wife, Juliana, on their farm.

Governor Darius Ishaku of the state, while condemning the killings, described it as inhumant

In a statement by his Special Adviser on Media and Publicity, Bala Dan Abu, Ishaku described the latest killing as wicked and inhuman.

According to the statement, hallings of this nature have Southern Taraba communities and it is unhelpful to the on-going efforts of the government to achieve lasting peace among communities in the

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He further expressed sympathy with the surviving members of Pastor Bileya's immediate and extended families as well as pastors and members of CRC-N in Mararaba where he served until his death.

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Similarly, a 20-year-old commercial motorcycle operator, Arabo Tambajam, was allegedly killed by a police officer in Maiha, in Adamawa Local Government Area.

It was gathered that the

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suspects were found in possession of some illicit drugs and dried leaves suspected to be Indian hemp.

"The exhibits recovered from

motorcycle operator refused to part with N100 bribe demanded by the police to settle him before he could pass with a container of petrol he was carrying.

It was further gathered that after the killing, youths in the community mobilised to mete out jungle justice on the trigger happy policeman.

A source said the presence of soldiers, whom the police ran to for cover, saved the day as the youth were prevented from lynching the policeman.

Confirming the incident, the

Public Relations Officer of Adamawa State Police Command, DSP Sulaiman Nguroje, said the policeman had been arrested and is currently facing investigation.

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'Yes the policeman in question, Cpl. Richard Zaphet, has since been arrested and brought to the State CID," he said.

#### in Bauchi Man kills friend over girlfriend

By Charly Agwam

BAUCHI—A 21-year-old man, Zeloti John, was reportedly Ishaku, over a girl in Dass Local Government Area of Bauchi State.

It was gathered that a fight ensued between the two friends at a drinking ine of wer who the real boyfriend of stabbed in the neck.

A source, who identified himself as a relative of late Zeloti, said he would seek justice for his late kin.

He said: "We are deeply

saddened by the death of our relative. Zeloti didn't deserve to die. Before this tragedy occurred, Zeloti was making everyone around the neighbourhood very happy. We didn't know he would die the same

day. I hope he gets justice.
'The light was over a girl who we are yet to identify. They started quarrelling, then it degenerated to a fight and now Zeloti is dead."

was buried yesterday by friends and family.

The Bauchi Police Command confirmed the incident through the Police Public Relations Officer DSP Ahmed Wakili, who said the case of culpable homicide was reported from the Dass Police Division and has been transferred to the appropriate unit for further investigations.

The PPRO added that the late Zeloti John was stabbed on the neck with a sharp object and was rushed to the Dass General Hospital where

He said the Police in Dass have arrested one suspect in connection with the case while further investigation was ongoing.

### Man in court for allegedly stealing 4 cattle belonging to OAU

By Shina Abubakar

OSOGBO—ONE Ibrahim Sulaiman, 25, was, yesterday, docked before a Magistrate Court sitting in Ile-Ife, Osun State for allegedly stealing four cattle belonging to the Obafemi Awolowo University, OAU, Ile-Ife.

The four cattle valued at N1.6 million were said to be the property Students Economic Empowerment & Development Programmes of the school, coordinated by Dr Ajila Kehinde.

The prosecutor, Adesina Elijah, disclosed that the defendants conspired with others now at large to steal the cattle.

According to him, the offence contravened sections 383, 390(9) and 516 of the Criminal Code, Laws of Osun, 2002.

Omodogbe, orally applied for the defendant's bail in most liberal terms, pledging that his clients would not jump ball.

Magistrate Muhibah Olatunji granted the defendant bail in the sum of N750,000 with two sureties in like sum.

She ordered that the defendants be remanded in 'A' Division Police Station, Moore, Ile-Ife, pending the perfection of the bail condition and adjourned the case until June 30, 2020 for hearing.

## Communal clash leaves 6 injured in Kwara

By Demola Akinyemi

**LORIN**—NO fewer than six persons were injured in a communal clash between residents of Lafiagi and Edogi communities in Edu Local Government Area. LGA, of Kwara during which six persons sustained serious injuries.

Vanguard gathered that the clash, which took place Monday night, was as a result of a land

allegedly defied the court order by cleaning the controversial land for farming.

In response, some angry youths from the opposing community went to the disputed land and allegedly took the law into their hands, resulting in a free-for-all, leaving no fewer than six persons injured and scores of houses torched.

But the state police command said ham Edogi Derson