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RSIPF investigates murder incident in central Honiara

Officers of the Royal Solomon Islands Police Force (RSIPF) at the Central Police Station in Honiara City are investigating the death of a teacher that occurred in the Bahai area of Central Honiara at 12-midnight last Friday 26 March 2021.

RSIPF Commissioner Mostyn Mangau says, "At around 9am last Thursday (25 March 2021) the deceased left his family residence at Matanikao Village, near Marble Street, Tuaruhu and drove into town."

Initial reports say the deceased had some beer with his cousin brother at the Scorpion Bar in the Bahai area and left to walk home at about 11 pm.

The reports say the deceased was closely monitored by one of the suspects near the Barak Shop in the Bahai area. The first suspect then met two other suspects and they followed the deceased as he walked along the road in the Bahai area.

Commissioner Mangau explains, "It is alleged that the suspects then approached the deceased and asked him for money but the deceased said he had no money. It is alleged that the suspects then attacked the deceased and as a result he fell to the ground and sustained injuries on the back of his head."

The deceased was later transported to National Referral Hospital by St Johns Ambulance between 9- 11am on 26 March 2021) and admitted at the National Referral Hospital. He however died on 28 March 2021.

"My condolences to the immediate family of the deceased for the loss of one member of their family," says Commissioner Mangau.

Two suspects have already been arrested and dealt with whilst one suspect is still at large.

"I call on people in the Bahai area in Central Honiara who may have witnessed this sad incident to come forward to officers at the Central Police Station in Honiara City with whatever information they may have."

I further call on families of the deceased and the suspects from taking the law into their own hands and allow the police to deal with the matter.

“I also want to urge members of the public to contact the necessary authorities including police and ambulance when you see someone lying down helpless on the road like that happened to the deceased in this matter,” says Commissioner Mangau.

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<p>Media inquiries</p> <p>RSIPF Media Unit: 24016 or 23800 Ext 239</p> <p>Email: rsipf.media@rsipf.gov.sb</p>	<p>The Royal Solomon Islands Police Force (RSIPF) was established in 1954. Its mission is ‘To provide a safe and peaceful Solomon Islands by strengthening relationships with the community’. The RSIPF strive to provide efficient and effective policing services for the Solomon Islands and expect RSIPF officers to adhere to the RSIPF values.</p> <p>For ongoing news and information, please go to www.rsipf.gov.sb</p> <p>Follow us on Facebook Page: www.facebook.com/rsipf</p>
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