

SHEIKH ZAKZAKY'S CASE: Court Further Adjourns The Illegal Trial To 25th March

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The Kaduna State High Court four, presided by Justice Gideon Kurada has today Tuesday 22nd January, 2019, sits for the hearing on the substantive suit brought against the leader of the Islamic Movement in Nigeria, Sheikh Ibraheem Zakzaky and three others by the Kaduna State government.

During the hearing, Sheikh Ibraheem Zakzaky and his injured wife were presented at the court.

The lead Counsel of Sheikh Zakzaky, Femi Falana (SAN), told the court that Sheikh Zakzaky and his injured wife are in need of urgent medical attention of the injuries they sustained from the rain of bullets of the Nigerian Army in their residence. He said one eye of Sheikh Zakzaky was completely destroyed by bullets and the remaining one is also affected.

Chief Falana said, "The condition of the wife of Sheikh Zakzaky is even worst as there are multiple bullets that were lodged in her body during the brutal attack of December 14, 2015 which have not been extracted";

In the lung run, the Judge has pledged to deliver judgement on the application forwarded by the Counsel to Sheikh Zakzaky, to grant the Sheikh access to medical treatment abroad.

As acknowledged by the Counsel, "Government had failed to grant Sheikh Zakzaky proper medical attention he needed, following the pain and agony of the Army attack on 24th of December 2015";

Eventually, the case was again adjourned to 25/03/2019. The trial as usual was held under tight security measures.

The revered Sheikh and three others including his wife, Malama Zeenatudeen Ibraheem are standing trial for alleged aiding and abetting of sundry offences including culpable homicide

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punishable by death.

It can be recalled that the same High Court in Abuja, the federal territory, had delivered a judgement since 2nd December 2016 where it acquitted the Sheikh of any crime and ordered his release along side his injured wife within 45 days from the date the final judgement was delivered, but the aggressive Buhari regime has however remain disinclined to comply with the court order.