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Suspected poacher shot



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Windhoek / Okakarara (Nampa / sno) - A 27-year-old man believed to have been a poacher died early Monday morning after he was allegedly shot in the chest at a game farm near Okakarara.

The police spokeswoman in the Otjozondjupa region, Inspector Maureen Mbeha, said in an interview with Nampa that the deceased had been identified as Claudius Hameva from Okakarara. Mbeha added that the shooting incident occurred in the early hours of the morning at around 1:30 am on the private hunting and game ranch "Hamakari".

Investigations by the police have shown that Hameva had traveled with three other suspects from Okakarara and entered the hunting farm with spears, knives and a pack of trained hounds to hunt game on it.

"A security guard who was on patrol on the farm saw the alleged poachers coming from afar and confronted them. During an exchange of words with the suspects, in which he asked them to leave the farm quickly, the guard fired a shot from his shotgun and hit Hameva in the chest," Mbeha explained, adding. "Hameva died on the spot while the other three suspects fled with their dogs". The 30-year-old security guard who fired the shot was arrested for murder. The police investigation continues.

