

Rainfall disaster: 2 feared dead in Asaba

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TWO persons, a middle aged woman and her eight-year old daughter were feared dead yesterday in Agbor, headquarters of the Ika South local government area of Delta State, following the heavy down pour that hit the town and several parts of the state.

Our correspondent learnt that the woman's daughter had ignorantly fallen into the deep flooded gutter and the woman in a bid to rescue her drowning daughter, also fell into the same flooded deep gutter where both of them eventually got drowned.

The flooded deep water, where the two victims met their untimely death, *Daily Champion* further gathered, is located on the Lagos/Asaba expressway by the Mariere/Mordi Street in Agbor, and flows down to the Orogodo River Basin in the town.

The corpse of the woman identified as Mrs Theresa Okoji, residing at 50 Egu Street, Agbor, *Daily Champion* learnt, was recovered by rescue workers who stormed the Orogodo River combing its nook and cranny, while that of her eight year old daughter, Hope, was yet to be recovered.

Daily Champion gathered that her corpse was later deposited at the Agbor Specialist Hospital mortuary.

Contacted, the Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO) in the state, an Assistant Superintendent of Police (ASP), Mr. Ikechukwu Nwanolue, said police were investigating the matter.

The problem of erosion and flooding in Delta North has been an endemic problem which the state government is yet to come out with a lasting solution. Agbor and its environs are therefore not left out in the intractable problem.