

Six women die in Taraba boat mishap

Six women died in a boat accident on the river Benue in Taraba state on Saturday.

Twenty others survived when the ferry crossing the river at Jen village capsized, the News Agency of Nigeria

(NAN) reports.

Local divers recovered four bodies. Two bodies are still missing.

Taraba Governor Danbaba Suntai approved the release of relief materials, worth N1.2 million, to the families of the

victims.

The package was delivered to them on Saturday by a special delegation, headed by the Deputy Majority Leader of the State Assembly, Mr Oliver

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Suleiman.

The delegation, while in Jen, commiserated with the Wakilin Jen Ardido, Alhaji Samaila Agwaru, and the Wakilin Jen Kaigama, Alhaji

Ahmadu Kiledu, over the incident.

Suleiman said the government and the people of the state were touched by the incident.

He described it as unfortunate and advised the Jen Community, particularly the bereaved families, to consider it as an act of God.

The traditional rulers

thanked the government for identifying with them.

The delegation later visited each of the bereaved families and presented cash and relief materials to them. (NAN)