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Flood claims1, destroys N600m farm produce in Jigawa

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Flood killed one person and washed away farm produce worth N600 million in Kirikasamma and Gurin Local Government Areas of Jigawa State, Daily Trust gathered.

It was further gathered that water from Kamadugu river, occasioned by heavy rainfall led to the destruction of about 500 farmlands as well as 1000 houses in the affected areas.

Speaking to Daily Trust at the weekend in Guri, Secretary of the area, Mohammed Hassan Abu Musari said, a 60-year-old man from Musari village died in the incident.

"In the case of Gidan Dawa, the entire village was submerged as a result of over flooding from Kamadugu river. It may interest you to note that farm produce worth over N600 million was also destroyed," he said.

Secretary of Kirikasamma Local Government Area, Ayuba Turabu, added that over 3000 livestock were lost to the flood. He listed the most affected areas to include; Marma, Turabo, Sanamu, Jiyau and Jiyau Fulani.

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"Flood in Kirikasamma is an annual phenomenon. It is our plan to find a permanent solution to the problem. We are compiling our report for onward submission to the State Emergency Management Agency," he said.

He said they had procured new sacks for distribution to affected communities to enable them build embankment against the flood.

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