

3 feared dead, others injured, houses destroyed in Katsina rainstorm

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At least three persons were reportedly killed, several others injured and many homes destroyed by rainstorms in Kankara Local Government Area of Katsina State.

The rainstorm, which started on Saturday and continued into Sunday, affected several communities in the area, with Kankara town, Nasarawa, and Matsiga communities mostly affected.

Two women were said to have lost their lives in Matsiga while one person was said to have died in Nasarawa.

One of the women, whom sources said lost her life after the wall of her room collapsed on her, was buried Sunday morning according to Islamic

rites.

Local authorities were still trying to determine the extent of damage at the time of this report.

Abdulkarim Sani, an information officer at the council area, who confirmed the incident, said a staff of the information unit of the council, Surajo Zabo, lost his wife in the unfortunate incident.

He added that several communities and homes were affected by the rainstorm, but that the actual number would be determined at a later time.

Officials of the State Emergency Management Agency (SEMA) were yet to issue any statement or respond to inquiries on the incident at the time of filing this report.