Teenager drowns while rescuing cow in Jigawa

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An 18-year-old boy, Adamu Musa, of Unguwar Magina, Buji Town, in Buji Local Government Area of Jigawa State, has lost his life while trying to rescue his cow that slipped and fell into a pond during grazing in the area.

A statement by the Jigawa State Public Relations Officer of the Nigeria Security and Civil Defence Corps (NSCDC), CSC Adamu Shehu, revealed that the incident occurred when the teenager took two of his cows to the farm and let them loose to feed from the grasses nearby.

He said, "Sadly, one of the cows slipped and fell into a pond located close to the farm where they were grazing. On sighting the ugly occurrence, Adamu rushed to rescue his cow but was drowned, despite the combined efforts of the locals and NSCDC personnel to rescue him. He was not found until 1am on Sunday."

The statement added that after being thoroughly examined, the boy was confirmed dead and handed over to his parents for proper burial while the cow was rescued.