

5 die as IDPs' camp building collapses in Kogi

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Five persons died yesterday when a storey building being used for Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) collapsed at Ayah in Ibaji Local Government Area of

Kogi State.

The incident was said to have happened in the early hours of Thursday in the Ayah community.

The Community Development Officer (CDO) of Ibaji Local Government Area, Mr Onalo Achimugu, said those that died included

four females and one male.

The victims were said to have taken refuge in the said storey building, waiting for the flood water to recede before relocating back to their various homes.

"At about 1:00 am today, 27/10/2022, some of the Ibaji LGA flood

victims encamped in one of the storey buildings, Ayah Camp, Ibaji LGA, lost their lives, while others were wounded", said Achimugu in a statement.

Achimugu stated that with the consent of the chairman of the local government, Iko-

Ojo Obiora, some of the injured were taken to Irrua in Edo State, and some to Idah for treatment.

He added that many of the flood victims who took refuge in the said storey building being used as IDPs camp sustained various degrees of injuries as a result of the incident.