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Tragedy in Taraba as flood sweeps away 30-year-old man

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TRAGEDY struck in Taraba State as a thirty-year-old man was reportedly swept away by flood in the early hours of Thursday.

The downpour that lasted for hours came barely weeks after a flood rendered many persons homeless in the

Jalingo metropolis.

The deceased, Abbas Ahmad Dansoja, was said to have been swept away by flood while attempting to remove a table blocking free flow of water through a nearby culvert.

A member of the community in Jalingo said: "The flood took him away in an

attempt to remove a table which blocked the passage of water through one of the culverts in this community."

Meanwhile, members of the community have formed a search party to recover his remains. However, a relative of the deceased has urged residents around

river banks to watch out for any corpse floating on water.

The downpours, which lasted for hours, also washed away several houses and valuables including farmlands, leading to the relocation of victims to public places where displaced victims of last month's flood disaster are taking shelter.