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Group of jobless wheelbarrow customers.

Three feared dead as flood ravages Anambra

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THREE people were feared dead and property worth millions of naira destroyed, following a heavy down pour that resulted in continuous flooding of Oduke Layout in Obosi, near Onitsha in Anambra State.

Residents of the area said properties worth N300 million have been destroyed in the disaster over the last one year, following which many prospective tenants in the area have fled for safety, while their children no longer go to schools.

Chairman of Oduke Landlords Association, Nicholas Okechukwu, said during a peaceful protest by the residents of the estate on Wednesday that the community is at the verge of extinction, if something is not done urgently to ad-

dress their plight.

The residents in turn narrated that their problem started in 2012 when a construction company handling the Eze Iweka Road project channeled the road drainage system to face their layout, leading to heavy flooding into their residential buildings at each rainfall.

The distraught residents said they have made several representations to the State Government through the Ministry of Works who told them that their matter has been referred to the State Tenders Board but their problem remains unsolved.

They appealed to Governor Willie Obiano to not only visit the area for on the spot assessment but should come to their aid to remedy what they described as life threatening and frightening situation.

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CHAIRMAN of the National Drug Law Enforcement Agency (NDLEA), Ahmadu Giade, the anti-drug agency seized a total of 3,582,563.072 kg and arrested 87,813 suspected drug traffickers between 1990 and 2013.

Speaking on Wednesday, on today's International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Drug Trafficking, the NDLEA Chairman disclosed that the country has recorded impressive results in its fight to eliminate illicit drugs from the country.

Giade said the United Nations (UN), through resolution 42 on December 7, 1987, declared June 26 of every year, as Drug Day, adding that this year's theme is, "A Message of Hope: Drug Use Disorders Are Preventable and Treatable."

A breakdown of the figures according to Giade, revealed that Cannabis has the largest share with 3,403,041.41 kg. Other narcotic substances are next with 155,626.207 kg, cocaine 20,