Boat Mishap Claims One In Niger

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A boat mishap in Shiroro Local Government Area of Niger State has reportedly claimed the life of a man on Saturday morning.

It was gathered that the boat mishap occurred when the passengers were heading to the popular Kwata Saturday Market.

The wooden boat reportedly capsized as a result of overloading.

The boat was said to be conveying women, children, goods, including animals, fish, rices, maize among others to the market.

The sarkin ruwa (in charge of rescue) at Zumba, Mr. Umar Musa told Daily Post that a total of 50 persons were in the boat when it capsized yesterday morning.

According to him, only person lost his life, while 49 others were rescued by divers, adding that all the goods being conveyed to the market were lost in the mishap.

"Today, I can confirm to you that only one person, a male died and 49 persons were rescued," he said.

Meanwhile, the State Director General Niger State Emergency Management Agency, NSEMA, Alh. Ibrahim Inga wh confirmed the boat accident stated that one corpse was recovered from the river, while all the other passengers were rescued.