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Four persons died on Tuesday during a stampede at a political gathering in Ilorin, the Kwara State.

Six others, who were seriously injured, are recuperating at the State Specialist Hospital in Ilorin. The scene was at the Peoples Democratic Party (PDP) office, where many had gone for Sallah gifts.

“They were rushing and there was a stampede. The heat didn’t help matters,” said a source.

Governor Bukola Saraki yesterday commiserated with the party over the incident.

In his condolence message to the PDP leadership and the bereaved families, Saraki said the death of the PDP members was a great loss to the state.

The governor also sent a delegation to commiserate with the

families of the deceased.

Saraki, who visited the six survivors, said the state would pay their hospital bills.

As a mark of respect to the deceased, the governor cancelled all official engagements.

Death, he noted, is the ultimate end of all mortals, as every human would pay the supreme price on the appointed time and date.

Saraki said: “Though we lost them, our consolation is that these patriots came and made their impacts in the lives of their people.

“Their contributions to the achievements of the PDP-led government in the state would forever be remembered.”

He urged God to grant the bereaved families the fortitude to bear the irreparable loss.



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