

Six die in Kwara collapsed bridges

NO fewer than six people have died as a result of the collapsed bridges at Moro and Ohan in Asa Local Government of Kwara State, the residents have said.

Goods worth millions of naira have reportedly been lost due to the bad portion of the bridges that are 25metres wide and 35metres long.

The residents relieved their harrowing experiences when the member representing Ilorin West and Asa Federal Constituency in the House of Representatives, Mashood Mustapha, of the Peoples Democratic Party (PDP), inspected the bridges.

They said since the bridges became unusable, the two Kwara communities of Kaiama and Baruten, in Kaiama and Baruten local governments, have been cut off from the rest of the state.

It was gathered that passengers to and from Kwara alight from their vehicles, leaving only the drivers, to cross to either side of the bridges.

Hoodlums have cashed in on the situation

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to unleash a reign of terror on commuters and residents.

The Chairman, National Union of Road Transport Workers (NURTW), Alapa, Jimoh Orelope, narrated the hardship the residents faced as a result of the bad bridge.

He said between last year and now, members of the union had spent about N7million to build wooden planks to link the communities.

Mustapha also inspected the dilapidated Moro bridge in company of some expatriates.

He urged the Federal Government to repair the collapsing bridges to prevent further carnage on them.

The lawmaker promised to move a motion at the House today on the urgent need for the Federal Government to direct relevant agencies to expedite action on the rebuilding of the two bridges.

Mustapha urged the Federal Government, through the Ministry of Works, to rescue the area from the bad bridges.