

Plateau flood: **36 PERSONS CONFIRMED DEAD**

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THE aftermath of the recent flood disaster in the southern part of Plateau State has shown that 36 persons died while dozens were rendered homeless, ~~and a number of human~~ **and diseases are currently looming in the affected areas.**

NEMA coordinator for the north central zone, Mr. Edward told *New Nigerian* that 19 people died in Wase Local Government, 13 in Langtang North Local Government while Kanke,

Kanam and Pankshin lost three, two, and one persons respectively.

According to the zonal coordinator, NEMA in the zone has forwarded a comprehensive report of the calamity to its national headquarters in Abuja assuring that the agency would soon come out with an assistance plan. ~~Persons who~~ **are presently taking shelter in four different local government areas.**

He called on victims who are now homeless to bear with the agency while efforts are being

made to get total information, and data as well as the level of the devastation recorded.

However, the Chairman of Wase Local Government area, Alhaji Abubakar Mohammed told *New Nigerian* that the people of the area are now facing difficulties as the only bridge linking the local government to other communities was washed away. ~~He also explained that farmers~~ **are equally washed away leaving the people with little or no means of survival as hunger is now prevalent.**