

6 die in boat mishap

SIX women on Friday died while 20 others survived in a boat mishap in River Benue, the News Agency of Nigeria (NAN) reports.

The incident occurred as the boat in which they were crossing the River Benue at Jen village in Taraba, capsized mid-way.

Local divers recovered four bodies while two bodies are still missing.

In a quick reaction, Taraba Governor Danbaba Suntai approved the release of relief materials,

worth 1.2 million Naira, to the families of the victims. The package was delivered to them on Saturday by a special delegation, headed by the Deputy Majority Leader of the State Assembly, Mr Oliver Suleiman.

The delegation, while in Jen, commiserated with the Wakilin Jen Ardido, Alhaji Samaila Agwaru, and the Wakilin Jen Kaigama, Alhaji Ahmadu Kiledu,

over the incident.

Suleiman said the government and the people of the state were touched by the incident.

He described it as unfortunate and advised the Jen community, particularly the bereaved families, to consider it as an act of God.

The traditional rulers thanked the government for identifying with them.

The delegation later visited each of the bereaved families and presented cash and relief materials to them.