

Two killed, 1,000 houses razed as fire engulfs Borno IDP camp

NEMA to provide victims with 500 bags of rice, blankets, others

TWO Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) died and more than 1,000 houses burnt after fire razed the Muna Alamdari IDP camp in Maiduguri on Wednesday.

According to the *News Agency of Nigeria (NAN)*, the fire started at about 6:00a.m. and lasted for over an hour before it was brought under control by firefighters.

Director-General of Borno State Emergency Management Agency, Dr Barkindo Muhammad, said on Wed-

nesday in Maiduguri that IDPs, members of the Civilian Joint Task Force, security agencies and some good Samaritans also assisted in putting out the fire.

Muhammad said the agency had commenced assessment of the damages, while making efforts to provide immediate humanitarian support to victims.

He said: "We are immediately providing 500 bags of rice, blankets, as well as other non-food items to mitigate the IDPs' suffering."