## Three girls drown in Jigawa pond

THREE girls were on Saturday confirmed drown in a pond in Buji Local Government Area of Jigawa State, the News Agency of Nigeria (NAN) has reported.

Spokesperson for the Nigeria Security and Civil Defence Corps (NSCDC) in the state, Badaruddeen Tijuana, confirmed the incident in a statement on Sunday, in Dutse.

Tijjani gave the names of the deceased as Fatima Sule (12), Nasiya Sale (12) and Huwaila Sa'adu (13), all of Tulla village

According to the statement, the incident occurred on Saturday at about 11:00a.m., when the three girls went to cut some grasses to feed their

livestock beside the pond.

"The NSCDC personnel operating in the area received a distress call from some members of Tulla community at about 11:10 a.m. and rushed to the scene with the Divisional Disaster Management officers for a rescue mission.

"And together with the people of the community, they were able to recover the bodies of the three young girls after about 30 minutes of search and rescue operation," the statement said.

It explained that the recovered bodies were immediately rushed to the nearest health centre in the area, where they were confirmed dead.