

mother, Mrs. Victoria Iyida, said that her son

Three persons die of hunger, lack of healthcare in Niger IDP camps

THREE persons have died in Internally Displaced Persons (IDP) camps in Shiroro and Munya local government areas of Niger State following a lack of healthcare facilities and food.

Mr. Hussaini Alhassan, Desk Officer, Gwada IDP camp, disclosed this in an interview with the News Agency of Nigeria (NAN) on Saturday during the donation of ₦30 million worth of relief materials to the camps by the North South Power Foundation (NSPF).

Alhassan said that the displaced persons, who fled Kaore and Bassa communities in Shiroro due to insecurity, had lived in Gwada camp for six years.

He explained that the camp recently recorded the death of two newborns during delivery due to a lack of health facilities and other basic amenities.

Similarly, Mr. Yusuf Kuta, Coordinator of Kuta IDP camp, confirmed the death of an elderly woman in the camp, bringing the total deaths to three.

Kuta noted that the 300 IDPs, mostly women and children, lacked food and other essentials, and commended NSPF for its timely interventions.

Presenting the items, Dr. Kemi Adekanye, Head of NSPF, said the foundation was moved by the plight of the displaced persons, having observed their struggles with hunger and other needs.

Adekanye, represented by Dr. Samson Es-umeh, Consultant on Public Relations to the North South Power Company (NSPCL), said the gesture was in line with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) on food security and elimination of hunger.