

AC suspends campaign in Bayelsa over death of four members

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THE Bayelsa State chapter of the Action Congress has suspended the statewide campaign by its governorship candidate, Mr. Ebitimi Amgbare, and other candidates of the party.

The suspension came on the heels of the death, in an auto crash, of four of its female members.

The Chairman of the party in the state, Mr. Diepreye Dede, who described the incident as very unfortunate in Yenagoa on

Sunday, said the party's campaign would resume after the burial of the four women.

The bus conveying the women and others members of the AC to Yenagoa, after the party's function in Abuja in the evening of April 4, had collided with another vehicle on the Abuja-Lokoja road.

The deceased were Stella Ebizimo and Zidideke Abomo (from Amassoma in Southern Ijaw Local Government Area); Amakubuere Doyonwei (who hailed from

Sagbama LGA) and Anna Ololo (from Brass council), all from Bayelsa State.

Ololo was buried at Brass on Saturday, while the corpses of the three others were still at the morgue of the Federal Medical Centre, Yenagoa.

The seven AC members, who sustained serious injuries from the accident, were still receiving medical attention at the Specialist Hospital, Gwagwalada, Abuja.

Dede further stated that Amgbare, his running mate,

Mr. Enoch Ikelemo, and other members of the party were shocked by the pathetic incident at this crucial period.

He prayed that God would give the families of the deceased the fortitude to bear the loss.

The AC's chairman then lauded the party's presidential candidate, Vice-President Atiku Abubakar, and other faithful of the AC for their quick intervention and concern over the sad incident.