

# Four die in Nasarawa boat accident

## ACCIDENT

UMAR MUHAMMED

**N**O fewer than four persons reportedly died in a boat accident in the Ashangwa, Lafia East Development Area of Nasarawa State.

Narrating her ordeal on Saturday, one of the survivors, Mrs. Felina Agwale, told our correspondent that the boat paddler was too young to handle the boat.

Also speaking to our correspondent, the District Head of Ashige, Joseph Mamman-Amagbo, who expressed worry over the deaths, blamed the incident on the alleged negligent attitude of some individuals for allowing underage children to paddle the canoes in the area.

The Executive Secretary, Nasarawa State Emergency Management Agency, Zakary Allumaga, who confirmed the incident to our correspondent on Friday, said he was aware of the unfortunate incident, adding that he had yet to receive details of what happened.

He, however, affirmed that adequate measures had already been taken to rescue the missing persons.

When contacted on the telephone, the Police Public Relations Officer in the state, Kennedy Idirisu, said the command was not aware of any boat accident in the area.

He, however, promised to look into the matter.

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