

Flood kills three, destroys 495 houses in Kano

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At least three persons were killed and 495 houses destroyed following a downpour in the Ajingi Local Government Area of Kano State.

The Executive Secretary of the State Emergency Management Agency, Saleh Jili, disclosed this during a condolence visit to the families of the deceased.

According to him, the team was at Ajingi commiserate with the victims, on behalf of the state Governor Abdullahi Ganduje.

He said the incident occurred after a heavy rainfall on August 3 and August 4, where 495 houses were destroyed and three people including a four-year-old girl lost their lives.

Jili listed the affected areas to include Toranke, Kara Malama, Chuna and Balare in Ajingi Local Government Area.

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He said as an interim measure, the team will hand over relief items to the Chairman, Relief and Emergency Committee of Ajingi local government, for onward distribution to the families of the deceased and injured.

According to him, a comprehensive report would be submitted to the government after an assessment of the disaster by personnel deployed to the area, for immediate action.

He advised residents to always clear their drainages and called on residents close to the river and ponds in the state to relocate to safer places and report to the SEMA office for possible assistance.

The Vice Chairman of Ajingi Local Government, Sa'ad Ibrahim-Toranke, commended the state government and agency for the gesture.

The relief items distributed include rice, maize, cement, roofing sheets, nails, cooking oil, pillows, beans and mattresses among others.