## 15 persons drown in Borno river, corpses recovered

Tukur Muntari with agency report

O fewer than 15 corpses have been recovered from the flooded River Ngadabul in Maiduguri, Borno State.

The North East
Coordinator, National
Emergency Management
Agency, Muhammad
Usman, confirmed



• Borno Gov, Babagana Zulum the development on Wednesday, during an

interview with the News Agency of Nigeria in Maiduguri.

Usman said the cases of drowned people in the flooded river that affected many communities along its banks in Maiduguri had been on the increase.

He urged parents and guardians to caution their wards and children against swimming in the river to avoid drowning.

Usman said, "NEMA as a disaster agency has been engaged in serious sensitisation of the public on dangers of flooding and precautionary measures.

"We have been having meetings with various stakeholders on sensitisation and providing relief materials to affected communities," Usman said.

Meanwhile, the Borno Command of Nigeria Security and Civil Defence Corps had deployed its personnel along the river banks to chase away children trooping to the river to take a swim.

Meanwhile, on the issue of flood in Kano State, the state commissioner for information, Muhammad Garba, while

addressing journalists on Wednesday, said an approval had been given for the immediate marking and demolishing of all existing structures built on Kwarin Gogau stream in the metropolis.

Also marked for demolition included the drainage lines around the Kantin Kwari Market with a view to removing all obstacles hindering the smooth flow of storm and waste water in the area.