

Flood kills three in Plateau communities

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Not fewer than three lives have been lost as a result of flood in some parts of Jos metropolis in Plateau State.

Plateau State map Nigeria reports that Gangere, Rikkos, Bauchi road and Eto-Baba communities, of Jos North Local Government Area were flooded as a result of heavy rains on Sunday and Monday that lasted for many hours.

The Zonal Coordinator of the National Emergency Management Agency, Eugene Nyenlong, told NAN that his agency got a distress call that three persons had died as a result of the flood.

Nyenlong said that NEMA and other stakeholders were going to the affected communities to assess the situation.

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“As I speak to you, we are moving to the scene with other stakeholders to have an on-the-spot assessment of the disaster, and also carry out advocacy visits.

“From the information before us, three persons have lost their lives from the flood that has become a recurring decimal in those areas. I appeal to the Plateau State Government to take stringent measures to ensure that the people vacate the flood-prone areas.

“If the people do not want to move out permanently, they can vacate the areas during the rainy season and return during the dry season,” he advised.

According to the zonal coordinator, there is a tributary that connects the communities and makes them susceptible to flood.