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**Good Morning! Friday August 24, 107****Flood kills 6, destroys 400 homes in Adamawa**

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Heavy downpour has claimed lives of six residents of Madagali and its environ in Madagali Local Government of Adamawa State, while about 400 houses, farmlands, culverts and bridges were devastated by torrential rainfalls.

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As at the time of filing this report on Tuesday, victims of the disaster were taking refuge in primary schools as an interim measure provided by Madagali Local Government Council.

The chairman of the local government council, who commiserated with the families of the diseased and other victims, disclosed that over 400 houses were submerged while a number of farmlands were also destroyed by the flood.

The Madagali disaster followed a heavy downpour in the wee hours of Monday, a development which caught the residents unaware as they had to run helter-skelter to save their lives and properties.

A number of victims interviewed by Daily Sun on Monday said six people lost their lives in the process of saving lives and properties as their houses were submerged by the flood.

Meanwhile, Adamawa State Governor, Vice-Admiral Murtala Nyako has directed the Commissioner for Special Duties, Prince Medan Teneke, to commiserate with the families of the deceased and assess the extent of damage done by the torrential rainfall.

Similarly, the House of Representatives member for Michika, Madagali Federal Constituency, Hon. Binta Garba, who also commiserated with the families of the deceased and other victims, promised to move for a motion in the National Assembly to seek for Federal Government's intervention.

Mrs. Garba, who said that the level of damage was beyond what the local and state government could shoulder, promised to liaise with the National Emergency Management Agency, (NEMA) for prompt response to the devastation with relief materials.

Also, the member representing Madagali in the state House of Assembly, Mallam Ahmed Umaru, promised the victims to raise a motion on matter of state importance in the House to appeal to the government to urgently intervene in the ugly situation.

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