## Flood kills 6-year old, sacks Aba residents

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A six years old boy has reportedly died after a downpour in Aba, the commercial nerve centre of Eastern Nigeria. Eyewitness said that the rain caused massive flooding of homes in Dike Street, off Faulks Road and Garden Avenue b Okigwe Road in the Aba North Local Government Area.

Parents of the said child could not be reached at two different occasions Sunday Telegraph visited the area at the weekend, but some residents at Dike Street confirmed the incident and told our correspondent that most of the residen evacuated their homes to avoid drowning. Mrs. Chioma Ukwuoma Nze, a resident of Dike Street while narrating her or said she nearly lost her two children to the rampaging flood if not for the timely intervention of her neighbours who cam the rescue of the children.

"I was inside my house sleeping with my children when the rain started. It was a neighbour living upstairs that came an alerted me of the dangers ahead. The neighbour hurriedly took my children out and by the time I could finish to go out, level of the water was getting to my neck. The neighbour who had dropped the children came back and assisted me to safety.

"After the incident, I went to Port Harcourt, Rivers State for a programme and by the time I could come back, my prope had already been submerged in the flood. The only cloth I have was the one I traveled to Port Harcourt with and I am r taking refuge in a neighbour's apartment."