

Bayelsa: 3 dead, residents displaced as flood submerged community

The Ayakoro settlement in Ogbia Local Government Area of Bayelsa State has been submerged by flood, leaving no fewer than three people dead.

The News Agency of Nigeria (NAN), reports that the death toll from the flood disaster was confirmed by the Bayelsa government on Wednesday.

Commissioner for Information, Orientation and Strategy,

Mr Ayibaina Duba, confirmed the incident while commiserating with families of the victims.

Meanwhile, the paramount ruler of the community, Mr Righteous Inegbagha, has called on the federal and state governments to take urgent steps to mitigate the impacts of the flood on the people.

He said that the flood disaster had not only rendered thousands of his subjects

homeless, but had also affected their sources of livelihood, with other economic activities also paralysed.

"Our people cannot visit their farms due to the ravaging effects of the disaster," he said.

Inegbagha expressed the

regret that for about a week now, people of the community had been residing in their water-lodged houses.

He emphasised the need for government to provide relief materials, such as food, clothes and drugs for the affected people, adding that they

should be evacuated to temporary camps to save them and their property.

The traditional ruler said that his palace, which used to play host to some of the victims, had now been made inhabitable due to over-crowding and lack of enough space.

Foundations collaborate with council chair, donate writing materials to schools

The Detola Abike Mogaji Memorial Foundation (DAMMF) in collaboration with Hon. Oguntade Adekunmi (HOA) Foundation, owned by Hon. Oluwaseun Adekunmi Oguntade, a former aspirant to the Ogun State House of Assembly, Odogbolu State Constituency, have donated writing materials like exercise books, pencils and erasers to schools in Odogbolu Local Government Area of Ogun State.

The foundations donated the educational materials to support the 'Back To School' initiative of the local government chairman, Hon. Ladejobi Shuaib Adebayo, as other support items like marker boards, classroom desks, schools uniforms among other were distributed by the Executive Chairman.

The 'Back To School' initiative started upon Hon. Ladejobi Adebayo Shuaib assumption of office as the chairman of Odog-

bolu Local Government last year with fumigation and cutting of lawns in all the primary schools in the local government in preparation for resumption.

Hon. Ladejobi Shuaib commended the promoters of both foundations for laying a good foundation for pupils, especially at the primary level, he encouraged them not to relent in their effort of partnering with the local government in bringing social development to the grassroots as they have been doing in the past with their various initiatives like: Kids Tour To Hubert Ogunde Museum; Wealth Creation Scheme With Polaris Bank; The Fitila Health Pack to the venerable in the society, among other good gestures.



The flooded community

126 more Nigerians back from Libya

The National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA) yesterday in Lagos received 126 Nigerians who

pastures in various European countries, but could not afford to return when their journey became frustrated.