



6 Women Drown in Boat Mishap

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Taraba

Six women drowned in a boat that capsized in River Benue at Jen in Karim, Lamido Local Government Area of Taraba State. The boat was carrying 26 persons, out of which six (women) were drowned.

THISDAY gathered that four bodies have been recovered, while two are yet to be found.

Taraba State Governor, Danbaba Danfulani Suntai, swiftly responded to the disaster with release of the sum of N1.2 million to the affected families, delivered by a special delegation to the community at the weekend.

He described the incident as unfortunate and advised the Jen community, especially the bereaved families to consider the incident as an act of God. The delegation also visited traditional rulers in the area to express their condolence. The delegation was headed by Deputy Majority Leader of the State House of Assembly, Honourable Oliver Suleiman.

The monarchs, Alhaji Ahmadu Kiledu and Alhaji Samaila Agwaru thanked Suntai and the government for identifying with them at the trying moment.