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Approximately 4500 Houses Destroyed and Many Feared Dead in Flood Disaster in
Katsina, Ogun, Niger, Anambra, Edo, Jigawa and Ondo States, Nigeria

BACKGROUND



- The affected States include: Katsina, Jigawa (North-West), Niger (North-Central), Ogun, Ondo (South-West), Anambra (South-East), and Edo (South-South).
- Repeated flooding incidents in Nigeria, has become a perennial problem. The disaster is linked to climate change, especially in increased frequency and intensity of rainfall from May to September annually. Other related factors include poor urban planning, inadequate drainage systems, dams collapse and improper waste management, among others.
- In Nigeria, States along the coastal zones are more vulnerable to flooding due to the its sea level and spurring them. The devastating impact of flood includes; deaths, injuries and internal displacement mostly involving women and children. Food insecurity due to the destruction of crops and farmlands, destruction of properties/neighborhoods and health-related risks.

[Between July 3 and 27, 2018, the WANEP's National Early Warning System \(NEWS\) recorded the cumulative deaths of more than of 81 people with at least 4500 houses destroyed and thousands displaced from communities affected by flood incidents in Katsina, Ogun, Niger, Anambra, Edo, Jigawa and Ondo States.](#)

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