

Cyclone kills 5 in N. China



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The cyclone wreaked havoc in four villages of Hexigten Banner and Ongniud Banner at 4 p.m. Friday, said the emergency response office of Chifeng City, which administers the two banners.

The casualty report was based on assessment as of 1 a.m. Saturday while the loss of properties is still being calculated.

Many houses were severely damaged, the office said.

The injured were taken to hospital while relief work is underway.