



NIGERIAN MARITIME ADMINISTRATION AND SAFETY AGENCY (NIMASA)

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MARINE NOTICE

TO: THE OWNERS, OPERATORS, MASTERS, MANAGERS OF OIL INSTALLATION, OIL RIGS, DRILL SHIPS, IOCS, MARITIME STAKEHOLDERS, MARINERS LOCAL FISHERMEN/WOMEN AND THE PUBLIC

WARNING ON TAMPERING WITH THE FISHES CURRENTLY BEING WASHED ASHORE WITHIN THE MARINE ENVIRONMENT OF THE NIGER DELTA REGION

Accordingly, the Public is hereby warned to restrict in carrying out activities within the ecosystem of impact and avoid consuming these fishes until detailed investigation into the incident is concluded.

Pursuant to the statutory mandate of the Nigerian Maritime Administration Safety Agency (NIMASA) as enshrined in the Merchant Shipping Act, 2007 and in compliance to the MARPOL Regulations and other relevant instruments aimed at protecting Marine Environment of Nigeria; the Agency is hereby notifying the general public and specifically the Coastal Fishermen/women within the affected areas to be cautious of dead fishes washed ashore our marine environment within the Niger Delta Region (Akwa Ibom, Bonny, Bayelsa, Port Harcourt, Warri, Calabar and other places within that axis).

Presently, the Agency has commenced the necessary scientific investigations with some relevant experts to identify the possible cause(s) and impacts with a view to controlling the impacts and also preventing future occurrence of the incident.

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