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# **MARINE NOTICE**

**TO OWNERS, OPERATORS, MASTERS,  
CREW OF FISHING TRAWLERS, ARTISAN  
FISHERMEN, AND THE PUBLIC**

## **CAUTION ON HARVESTING, COLLECTING, DRYING, PRESERVING OF SHOALS OF DEAD FISH WASHED ASHORE THE NIGER DELTA COASTLINE WITH A VIEW TO SELLING, CONSUMING OR OTHERWISE**

Pursuant to the statutory mandate of the Nigerian Maritime Administration Safety Agency (NIMASA) as enshrined in the Merchant Shipping Act, 2007 and in compliance with the MARPOL Regulations and other relevant instruments aimed at protecting Marine Environment of Nigeria.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO ALL STAKEHOLDERS of the occurrence of several incidents of shoals of dead fish washed ashore along the Niger Delta coastline states of (Akwa Ibom, Bayelsa, Cross River, Delta and Rivers and other places within that axis).

The Agency wishes to advise the public and specifically the Coastal Fishermen/women operating along the mentioned areas of the possible deleterious effects of the consumption of contaminated fish on the human health which may result in criminal liability for willfully selling such dead fish to the public.

Presently, the Agency has commenced the necessary scientific investigations with relevant experts to identify the possible cause(s) and means of mitigating the impact of the incident.

For any useful information on this matter, please contact:

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