

Gunmen kill 2 civil defence officers, 1 soldier in Rivers community

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NSCDC personnel

Gunmen yesterday killed two personnel of the Nigerian Security and Civil Defence Corps and a soldier at Gio community in Tai Local Government Area of Rivers State, forcing residents to flee.

The traditional ruler of the community, Eric Dooh, said the incident happened in the early hours of Sunday when gunmen invaded Shell manifold located at Gio and shot at the victims.

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He said the gunmen suspected to be oil bunkers had gone to the manifold known as Gio 2 to siphon oil, but were resisted by the security men guarding the manifold.

He said the gunmen later regrouped and attacked the security personnel.

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“Some armed men who are suspected to be oil bunkers had gone to Shell manifold to siphon oil but was resisted by the security person the killings of two personnel of the Nigerian Security and Civil Defence Corps and a soldier,” he said.

The Assistant Commandant-General of the NSCDC , Haruna Lawal Muhammed, confirmed that two of his personnel and a soldier were killed by bandits suspected to be oil thieves.

He said that the corpses of the victims had been deposited at the military hospital's mortuary in Port Harcourt.

The Assistant Director of Public Relation of 6 Division of the Nigerian Army, Port Harcourt, Col Aminu Iliyazu, also confirmed that one soldier died in the attack.

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