

# Fumes Kill Pregnant Woman, Others

**S**IX persons, including a pregnant woman who had gone to scoop petroleum products from a vandalized pipeline at Ogale-Elеме have lost their lives after inhaling highly concentrated fumes.

Yet to be identified vandals had, on Friday, ruptured some high-pressure petroleum pipelines at Ogale-Elеме, close to the Port Harcourt Refinery. Scores of persons, including the victims, had rushed to the scene to scoop fuel and in the process they got choked by poisonous fumes.

The people alleged that each time the vandals burst open a pipeline, they use tankers to siphon fuel and even sell under the eyes of the security agents.

By yesterday afternoon, The Guardian saw petroleum products gushing out of underground holes and wells close to the scene of the tragic incident.

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