

2 Killed, Others Injured In Port Harcourt Tanker Fire

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Two persons were burnt to death while several others sustained high degree of burns, Tuesday night, when a diesel tanker went up in flames in the Iwofe area of Port Harcourt, the Rivers State capital.

LEADERSHIP gathered that the incident occurred at about 8:30 pm near the popular Saint John's Bus Stop, along the Iwofe-Rumuolumeni Road, in the state capital.

It was further gathered that the diesel-laden tanker, upturned due to the deplorable state of the road and spilled its contents on the road before going up in flames

and razed some buildings along the road, before the arrival of men of the State Fire Service, who brought the fire under control.

An eyewitness told LEADERSHIP that the driver of the tanker lost control of it when the vehicle entered gully spots, adding that the prompt arrival of fire fighters salvaged the situation.

Recall that youths of Rumuolumeni community recently block the Iwofe-Rumuolumeni Road and other internal roads in the area in protest over the deplorable condition of the road, which had remained impassable for several months.