

Petrol Tanker Explodes in Ejigbo

A petrol tanker yesterday caught fire around Ejigbo Depot of the Nigeria National Petroleum Corporation (NNPC) in Lagos, killing people and burning several cars.

THISDAY gathered that the tanker refuelled in the depot without any hitch. It however fell down along NNPC Road, igniting fire. The fire consumed all the vehicles parked along the road, killing and injuring many people.

THISDAY could not ascertain the number of people and vehicles among others involved in the fire. But it was gathered that many people

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may have been trapped in the incident because of the bad shape of the road cum yesterday's heavy downpour.

Confirming the story, Zacheus Olusa, Deputy Commissioner of Police in charge of "Operations," Lagos State Police Command said the tanker has left the NNPC depot but caught fire along the road. He however said that the casualty figure and the number of vehicles burnt have yet to be ascertained, adding that the identity of the tanker involved is yet to be known.