

Smuggling

The Nigeria Civil Defence Corps in Kebbi State has advised the state government to issue manifestos to filling stations at the border areas in order to stop smuggling of petroleum products to neighbouring countries. The commandant of the corps, Michael Ogbiriki in an interview alleged that petrol stations in the border areas are diverting fuel outside the country. According to him, there is the need to sanction filling stations along border areas if the fight against smuggling must be effective. He said his command was ready to arrest fuel smugglers in order to prevent the reoccurrence of a recent boat mishap at Doleina/Lolo where about 60 people lost their lives. He said "we have the right to be arresting those diverting our fuel to other countries. Some of the tankers heading to border areas are taken outside Ogbiriki said henceforth any fuel tanker attempting to smuggle will be arrested "I am using this medium to warn those smuggling our petroleum products to desist in their own interest."

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