

Table 5: Recent Trends in Sea Piracy in Rivers State

DATE	DESCRIPTION	LOCATION	L.G.A
JUNE 4, 2020	A passenger boat coming from Abonnema Wharf in Port Harcourt to Ke community was attacked along the Namasibi waterways of the New Calabar River.	Ke	Degema
JUNE 3, 2020	A passenger boat was hijacked by sea pirates along the Ke waterways in Degema LGA, a nursing mother and her baby were among passengers taken away by the pirates	Ke	Degema
May 12, 2020	Troops of the Nigerian Army raided and destroyed an identified pirates/militants hideouts killing two of the militants. The troops recovered one AK47 rifle and seven magazines, one pump action rifle, one pistol and magazine. Other weapons recovered include one round of 7.62 mm NATO ammunition and 102 rounds of 7.62mm special ammunition, three rounds of 9mm ball ammunition and one live cartridge. In addition, one camouflage uniform, one head gear, one speed boat and four 85 Horse Power engines were also recovered during the operation.	Arugbanama community	Bonny
April 16, 2020	Sea pirates with a speed boat engine of 200 horse power attacked a vessel along the New Calabar River.	Bakana	Degema
April 6, 2020	12 seater passenger speed boat from Port Harcourt en-route Bakana was intercepted by sea pirates who robbed the occupants and made away with their boat while dumping them in the swamps.	Bakana	Degema
February 11, 2020	Men of the Nigerian military besieged the community on two military gunboats, several speed boats in search	Ke Community	Degema