

The impacts of MNCs in Nigeria!

THE OIL INDUSTRY IN NIGERIA IS LOCATED IN THE _____ DELTA REGION, A VAST AREA OF WETLANDS ON THE DELTA OF THE NIGER RIVER, WHERE IT FLOWS INTO THE GULF OF _____.



THE NIGER DELTA REGION CONTAINS IMPORTANT AND COASTAL ECOSYSTEMS. MOST PEOPLE DEPEND ON THE NATURAL ENVIRONMENT FOR THEIR LIVELIHOOD EITHER THROUGH FARMING OR _____.

THE OIL BOOM IN NIGERIA TOOK OFF IN THE _____. IT DEPENDED ON THE EXPERTISE AND MONEY OF LARGE TRANSNATIONAL CORPORATIONS (TNCs) BASED IN _____ AND THE _____, INCLUDING: ROYAL DUTCH SHELL (UK, NETHERLANDS), CHEVRON (USA), EXXON-MOBIL (USA), AGIP (ITALY) AND TOTAL (FRANCE).

THE COMPANIES ERECTED DRILLING ON THE OIL AND GAS FIELDS AROUND THE NIGER DELTA.

THE PLATFORMS ARE LINKED BY _____ TO TERMINALS IN THE GULF OF GUINEA.

AT THE EXPORT TERMINAL THE CRUDE OIL IS PIPED ONTO _____.

THE OIL IS SHIPPED TO EUROPE AND THE USA WHERE IT IS REFINED INTO _____ AND OTHER OIL PRODUCTS.

THE MANAGERS OF SHELL BRING _____ AND EXPERTISE TO NIGERIA.

SHELL HAS _____ HUGE AMOUNTS OF MONEY AND EXPERTISE INTO EXTRACTING OIL IN THE NIGER DELTA.

SHELL HAS SUPPORTED THE GROWTH OF NIGERIA'S _____ SECTOR THROUGH _____.

WHAT ARE THE ADVANTAGES OF OIL?

____ PER CENT OF SHELLS CONTRACTS HAVE BEEN GIVEN TO NIGERIAN COMPANIES.

THE EXTRACTION OF OIL MAKES MAJOR CONTRIBUTIONS TO _____ AND EXPORT REVENUE.

SHELL PROVIDES DIRECT EMPLOYMENT FOR _____ NIGERIAN WORKERS AND A FURTHER 250000 JOBS IN RELATED _____.

OIL _____ AND SABOTAGE ARE BIG PROBLEMS IN THE REGION, REDUCING PRODUCTION LEVELS AND COSTING TNCs AND THE GOVERNMENT _____ OF DOLLARS EVERY YEAR.

OIL POLLUTION, WHICH OCCURS OFFSHORE FROM TANKERS, KILLS _____ IN THE SEA.

OIL SPILLS FROM LEAKING PIPELINES DAMAGE _____ SO CROPS NO LONGER GROW.

GAS FLARES ARE USED TO BURN OFF GAS FROM THE OIL. APART FROM BEING WASTEFUL, THE FUMES AFFECT PEOPLES _____ AND CONTRIBUTE TO GLOBAL WARMING.

OIL HEATED BY THE SUN BECOMES HIGHLY _____ AND CAN BURN OUT OF CONTROL.

OIL SPILLS HAVE CAUSED WATER _____ AND SOIL DEGRADATION.

WHAT TENSIONS AND ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES HAS OIL CREATED?

When oil was discovered in Nigeria.....

Chief Sunday Inengite remembers the day the oilmen came hunting for oil in 1933. Members of his small community were not sure what the men were after. Most thought they were on the lookout for _____ oil, which had been exported from West Africa since 1832. Nigeria accounted for _____ per cent of this exported oil by the 1870s. But it became clear this was not the case: Inengite says, 'It wasn't until we saw what they called the oil—the _____ stuff—that we knew they were after something different.'

While several attempts to find oil had taken place in the early twentieth century, throughout the mid-twentieth century companies discovered numerous oil _____ many along the Niger _____ by 1939. Royal Dutch Shell-BP had _____ wells operating in the area.

While oil quickly became a lucrative _____ for Nigeria, it came at a grave environmental cost. 'You see fish floating on the surface of the water, something we didn't know before,' Inengite says. 'It may be difficult to make a catch that will be enough to _____ your family for one day.'

Some people believe that rather than being a blessing, oil has become a _____ for Nigeria. In order to keep some control over the oil industry, the Nigeria government set up the Nigerian _____ Petroleum Corporation to form joint ventures with TNCs. This ensures that part of the _____ from oil stays in Nigeria.