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1.2 STATEMENT OF THE PROBLEM

Irrespectively, Oil spillage and gas flaring activities are still commonplace in Nigeria, especially in the oil-rich Niger Delta. Gas flaring has also continued unabated irrespective of the Nigerian government's directive to end flaring by 2010 (Kalu, 2009). The Idoho oil spill incidence of 1997 spilled 40,000 barrels of crude oil into the environment. It travelled all the way from Akwa Ibom state to Lagos state dispersing oil through the coastal states, up to the Lagos coast. According to the Department of Petroleum Resources, between 1997 and 2001, Nigeria recorded a total number of 2,097 oil spill incidents amounting to 1,947,600 barrels of crude oil. Thousands of barrels of oil have been split into the environment through our oil pipelines and tanks in the country. Enforcement of environmental regulations is still poor as industries continue to discharge untreated waste water into the environment. Most recently, in December 2011, the SPDC's Bonga offshore platform spilled about 40, 000 barrels of crude oil into Nigerian waters. On January 16 2012, a gas explosion occurred at the Finuwa oil field owned by Chevron Nigeria Limited. The Nigerian government was shockingly silent about these two incidents. This study however wants to identify the problems of environmental pollution and proffer solution to the issue.

AIM OF THE RESEARCH

The aim of the research is to ascertain the environmental pollution in Nigeria in other to find issues and solution of these topic.

1.3 OBJECTIVES OF THE STUDY

The following are the objectives of this study:

To identify the issues of environmental pollution in Nigeria.

To resolved the impact of environmental pollution in Nigeria.

To ascertain the solutions to the challenges of environmental pollution in Nigeria.

1.4 RESEARCH QUESTIONS

What are the issues of environmental pollution in Nigeria?

What is the impact of environmental pollution in Nigeria?

What are the solutions to the challenges of environmental pollution in Nigeria?