Key Findings:
• In the month of May, about Ten states were reported in the media as places where crude oil theft prevails and routes for illegal crude oil transit.
• Delta State is recorded as a state with the highest military intervention against illegal refinery.

Finding 1: Illegal bunkering measures the highest in frequency of Crude oil crimes
• Intervention exercise against crude oil crime region, Oil theft reveals geometric increase with 11% increase

Finding 2: Army rates the highest in the rating response and intervention against crude oil crimes
• In the month of May, the media report reveals that the army is in the front burner in assessing the frequency of crimes within the rate of 8%

Finding 3: Measuring the intensity of Crude Oil Crime by States Delta State is taking the lead compared to other States.
• Media report indicates Delta State as one with predominant increase in activities involving illegal refineries, crude oil theft, Piracy, Pipeline

The Research
• Report on Pipeline Sobotage, Crude Oil Theft etc in the 36 States of Nigeira, with more emphasis on Niger Delta Region and areas with Pipeline channels

Recommendations
• There is a lack of understanding at the community level on the environmental impact of Oil theft. Therefore government should place more emphasis on addressing the needs of the people.
• The Oil companies have contributed to some of the challenges of Oil theft by having poor maintenance culture or practice of pipelines and facilities.
• The Navy should be provided with necessary equipment to discharge their duties in order to reduce the intrusion and activities of piracy at the oceans

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