

NUPENG Decries Suffering of Nigerians

The Nigeria Union of Petroleum and Natural Gas Workers (NUPENG) has decried the current suffering and pains of Nigerians as a result of the persistent and unjustified fuel scarcity.

The Union frowned at the incessant fuel scarcity which has resulted to long queues, loss of man-hours and endless search for products.

NUPENG stated that the scarcity has further worsened the sufferings of its citizens through increase in transport fares, rising pricing of goods and services as we approach the Christmas festivities.

It called on the government to quickly address the situation instead of trading blames when the depots are dry.

The Union stated that it was a national shame and embarrassment for the citizens to celebrate the Christmas under this kind of atmosphere when Nigeria is the seventh largest producer of crude oil.

NUPENG reiterated the need for the federal government; Federal Ministry of Petroleum Resources and the NNPC to tell the nation what is actually happening, as the two labour unions in the sector are not on strike.

It therefore called on the Federal government to implore the appropriate bodies to flood the nation with petroleum products as we enter the year 2018 as stop gap measure.

In the long run, it stressed that; the nation's four refineries must be revamped to reduce the pressure on foreign exchange for importation of petroleum products from abroad.

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