

Monthly Conflict Incident Tracker

Ondo State - February 2016

Background

This monthly tracker is designed to update Peace Agents on patterns and trends in conflict risk and violence, as identified by the Integrated Peace and Development Unit (IPDU) early warning system, and to seek feedback and input for response to mitigate areas of conflict.

Patterns and Trends Nov 2015-Jan 2016

Ondo had fewer incidents during this period than many other Niger Delta states. Those issues which were reported included a leadership tussle, criminality, protests, and incidents involving public security forces.

Leadership Tussle: In December, clashes were reported between factions of the state chapter of the National Union of Road Transport Workers (NURTW) over the leadership of the union in Akoko North East.

Protests: In December, university workers peacefully protested their dismissal; the Senior Staff Association of Nigerian Universities (SSANU) declared a strike. In January youths protested alleged abuses and indiscriminate arrests by public security

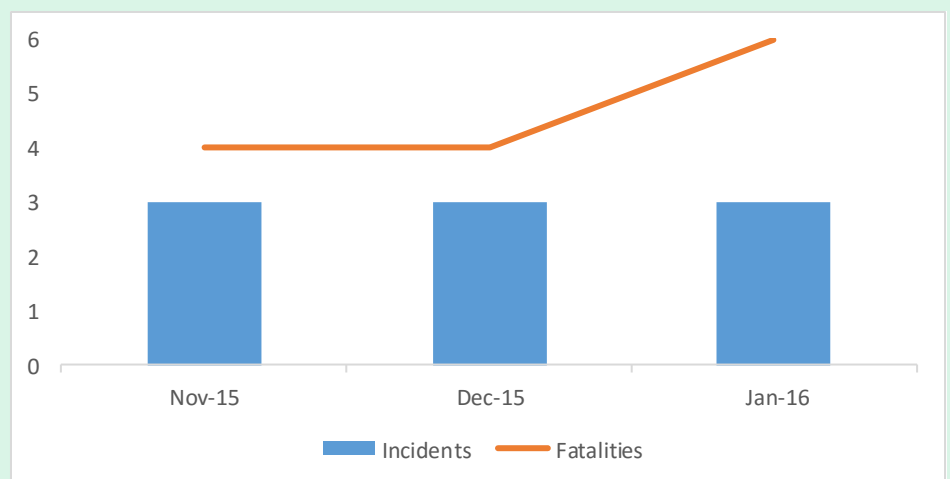
agents in Owo. Also in January, residents protested over electricity power outages in Okitipupa. Several were reportedly killed by security officials during protests after an automobile accident.

Other Incidents: Dozens of suspected Boko Haram members were reported intercepted by the Police in Ore. In another incident, beheading for suspected ritualistic practices was reported in Akure South. In January, suspected members of the Anti-Forestry Encroachment Taskforce were arrested after allegedly killing a farmer.

Recent Incidents or Issues, February 2016

The death of a civil servant in the office while he was waiting for his unpaid salary caused a protest by members of the Ondo State chapter of the Nigeria Labour Congress (NLC) and the Trade Union Congress (TUC) in Akure the state capital.

Figure 1: Ondo State Incidents and Fatalities



Reported incidents and fatalities from November 2015-January 2016 in Ondo State.
Sources: ACLED and Nigeria Watch formatted on the P4P Peace Map www.p4p-nigerdelta.org.

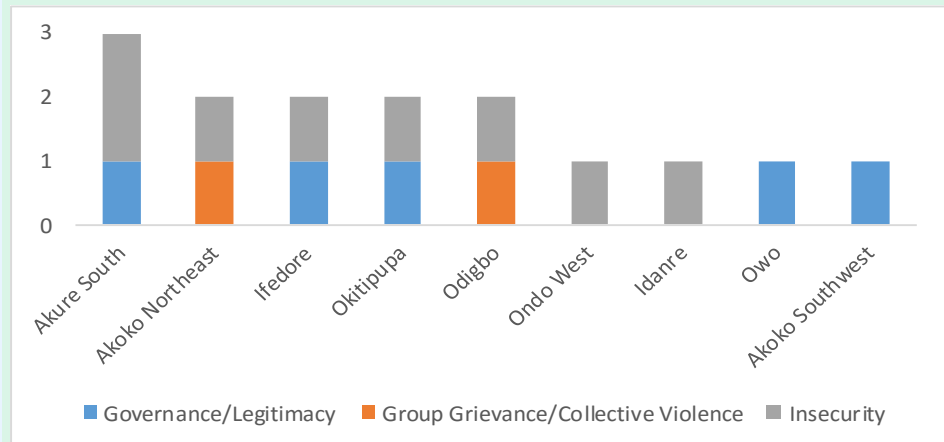
Prognosis

In the last couple of months, there have been protests, and sporadic violence associated with the NURTW. These issues have the potential to be politicized ahead of the gubernatorial elections slated for November 2016. Peace actors should monitor the situation and assess its impact on broader insecurity in the state.

Questions for Peace Agents

1. Is there anything significant missing from the tracker in terms of hotspots, trends, or incidents?
2. Which conflict issue or potential conflict issue suggested by, or missing from, this tracker is a top priority for you (as P4P Chapter, Prevent Committee, or other stakeholder)?
3. What are some likely trigger events in the next 6 months that could escalate this conflict?
4. Who are the key stakeholders that have influence on the conflict?
5. What will you do to help mitigate the conflict in the short, medium, and long term?

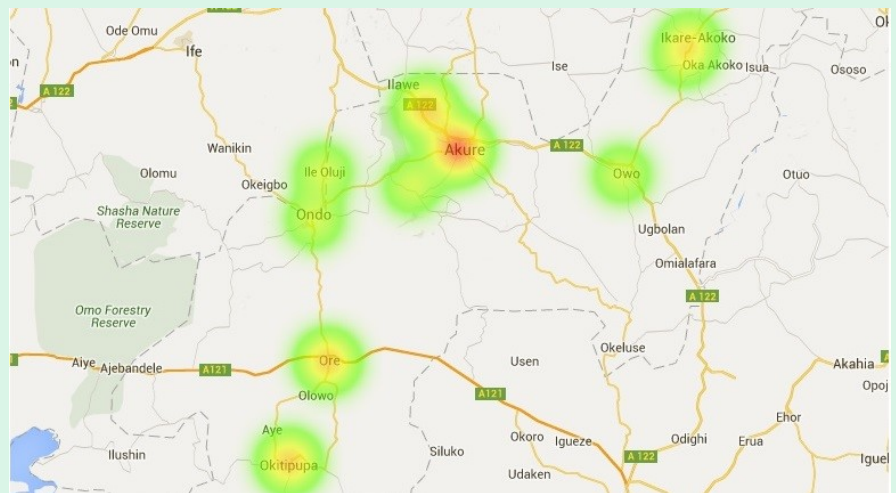
Figure 2: Trends in Conflict by LGA (Nov 2015-Jan 2016)



Reported incidents by Local Government Area (LGA) in Ondo State in this quarter shows that Akure South and Ifedore had the most incidents of conflict risk and violence in the state.

Source: ACLED and Nigeria Watch data formatted for the P4P Peace Map www.p4p-nigerdelta.org

Figure 3: Heatmap of Incidents and Peace Agents in Ondo State



Heatmap shows concentration of incidents reported from Nov 2015-Jan 2016 in Ondo State; with green stars representing the registered Peace Agents. Source: All data sources formatted for the P4P Peace Map www.p4p-nigerdelta.org

Report Incidents: IPDU Early Warning System

Please report any verified incident of conflict to the IPDU SMS early warning system:

Text: 080 9936 2222

Incident Details: Kindly include the State, LGA, Town, Date, and Brief Incident Description

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