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ABSTRACT

The crisis in the Niger Delta is not a new phenomenon in the history of Nigeria. The lasting peace in an area, territory, region or nation contributes to the development of all sectors most especially economic growth in the area. Sustainable development can only take its root in a peaceful atmosphere that is devoid of socio-political instability. Militancy attack in the Niger Delta region has devastated the economic growth of Nigeria which calls for the attention of the concerned stakeholders. This study therefore investigated resurgence of militancy and the challenges of sustainable peace in the Niger Delta Nigeria. Frustration-Aggression theory provided the framework while the survey design of the *ex-post facto* type was adopted. Purposive sampling technique was used to select 500 respondents who are living in the Niger Delta. (330 males and 170 females) were drawn from Delta State, Nigeria. There were 330 (66.0%) male and 170(34.0%) female, while their marital status varies from single 220 (44.0%), married 218 (43.6%), divorced 55 (11.0%) and 1.4% of the respondents did not indicate their marital status respectively. The findings shows that, a lot of reasons are responsible for militancy in the Niger-Delta, and that resurgence of militancy has a great challenge on the peace of the region and good intervention techniques can help in curbing the act. However, Nigerian government should try and mandate all the Multi National Oil Companies prospecting and producing crude oil in the Niger Delta area to immediately conduct an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) of their continued operation in the region. This is the best industry standard in other oil producing countries.

Keywords: Resurgence, Militancy, Sustainable peace, Nigeria, Niger Delta, Region

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