

Key Iraq Events - Oil



Nassiriya field Shutdown

Iraqi oil workers' protests caused shutdown at the Nassiriya field, operated by the state-run Dhi Qar Oil Co. (DQOC). Workers have been demanding jobs and land compensation around the field. On February 19, a pipeline worker was shot and killed, allegedly by a tribal member. Weatherford, a US oil services company, suspended operations after a drilling site's employee was threatened and blackmailed.

DQOC suspended production at Nassiriya stating "the principle of preserving the safety of workers in all oil fields" along with the safety of public property." DQOC said 80 kb/d was removed from the market, which reflects the field's capacity rather than actual level of recent production. The field's shut-in also stops 18 MMscf/d of associated gas from being sent to local powerplants.

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