

Oil tankers set on fire in Jagun rebel attack



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MARGHERITA: Petroleum products worth crores of rupees have gone up in flame when rebels set on fire nearly a dozen of oil tankers in [Tinsukia](#) district forcing the security forces to launch a massive menhunt on Tuesday.

The incident took place at around 5 in the afternoon when these these tankers were bound for Digboi from Kharsang. As the tankers ferrying [petroleum](#) products reached Namchik forest area in Jagun a [group](#) of around 20 armed rebels halted the tankers and set afire forcing the drivers and others to flee from the spot.

According to sources, the security forces are normally deployed in the area to guard the tankers. But on Tuesday, the policemen who were on duty escaped as they spotted the heavily armed rebels.

Now a massive menhunt is going on to nab the rebels who fled after they setting on fire the tankers. Top ranked police, army and OIL officials are assessing the situation.

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