Ethnic tension ignites in South Sudan

The civil war which has raged in South Sudan since December threatens to turn into an ethnic conflict after hundreds of civilians – most belonging to groups other than the Nuer – were massacred by rebels, who have targeted key oil fields in a renewed offensive

*Although both sides have supporters amongst other ethnic groups, Nuer community is seen as backing rebel leader and former vice-president **Riek Machar***

Bentiu, April 17: More than 200 people killed, 400 wounded

SUDAN

Oil pipeline

Malakal

200km
125 miles

SOUTH SUDAN

ETHIOPIA

MAIN ETHNIC GROUPS

- Dinka
- Nuer
- Arab
- Bari
- Azanda
- Anyuak/Shilluk
- Others

Bor

Juba

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UGANDA

KENYA