

Soldiers kill terrorists, arrest 94 suspects

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Troops of the Nigerian armed forces have intensified operations across the country, neutralising scores of terrorists, rescuing 67 kidnapped victims and arresting 94 criminal suspects within two weeks.

The Director of Defence Media Operations, Major-General Olatokunbo Bello disclosed this on Friday in Abuja while giving an update on military operations conducted between November 3 and 14.

Bello said troops recovered large quantities of arms and ammunition, including automatic rifles, machine guns, RPG tubes, locally fabricated weapons and IED-making materials, in addition to destroying criminal camps and logistics bases.

In the North-East, he said troops of Operation Hadin Kai sustained

offensive actions in Borno and Adamawa States, killing several Boko Haram and ISWAP fighters.

According to him, "Troops also apprehended 45 terrorists' informants, collaborators and logistics suppliers and rescued one kidnapped victim."

Bello said troops of Operation Pagge Yamma in the North-West, killed many terrorists across Sokoto, Zamfara, Niger, Katsina, Kebbi and Kano States during the period.

He added that troops arrested two suspects and rescued 13 kidnapped victims while recovering weapons, vehicles and livestock.

In the North-Central, Bello said troops of Operation Enduring Peace responded to multiple attacks in Plateau and Kaduna states, killing extremists, arresting 16 suspects

and rescuing five kidnapped victims.

According to him, a notorious criminal, Ibrahim Wakili, was also arrested in Sanga Local Government Area of Kaduna State on November 9.

"Troops of Operation Whirl Stroke recorded further successes in Kogi, Kwara, Benue, Nasarawa and Taraba states, killing several criminals, arresting 10 suspects and rescuing 48 kidnapped victims.

"Additionally, two gunrunners and two extremist collaborators were arrested in Nasarawa State," he said.

The defence spokesman further disclosed that troops of Operation Delta Safe foiled oil theft worth over N15.8 million in the Niger Delta region during the period. (NAN)

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