

Troops foil terrorist infiltration, disrupt logistics networks, arrest collaborators in North East

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THE troops have successfully foiled a terrorist infiltration attempt and disrupted terrorist logistics and support networks, further degrading the operational capabilities of insurgent groups in the North East region.

According to a statement made available to Defence Correspondents in Abuja by the Acting Media Information Officer, Headquarters Joint Task Force (North East), Lieutenant Colonel Haruna M. Sani, the operation was conducted by the Joint Task Force (North East), Operation HADIN KAI (OPHK), in its ongoing counterterrorism and counterinsurgency campaign across the North-East.

It explained that the operation was carried out through a combination of offensive operations, intelligence-led actions, and collaboration with local security stakeholders in the region.

According to it, "In Borno State, troops responded swiftly to the sighting of terrorists advancing toward the North East Theatre Training School, Buni Yadi, at about 9:00 a.m. on 9 June 2026.

"Employing coordinated

and precise fire missions, the troops neutralized the threat and denied the terrorists freedom of action.

"Subsequent exploitation of the area led to the recovery of two terrorist corpses and one motorcycle, confirming the effectiveness of the operation and the failure of the attempted infiltration."

The statement further added that in a series of intelligence-driven operations aimed at dismantling terrorist support structures, troops of 25 Brigade Garrison, in conjunction with the Civilian Joint Task Force (CJTF), apprehended two suspected Boko Haram/ISWAP logistics suppliers, Mallam Bako Ibrahim and Abu Aji, along the Sierra 4 axis in Damboa.

It stated that similarly, troops of 162 Amphibious Battalion, working closely with the CJTF along the Mandaragirau-Sabon Gari road, arrested another suspected logistics supplier, Musa Idris.

According to it, preliminary investigations revealed that the suspects were involved in providing logistics support to terrorists operating within Damboa Local Government Area.