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# Insecurity: NAF destroys IED structure, kills scores of bandits in Zamfara

The Nigerian Air Force (NAF) said yesterday that sustained offensive against armed banditry in Zamfara general area resulted in the killing of scores of bandits, as well as the destruction of a structure that serves as their major improvised explosive devices (IEDs) hub at Turba Hill and Kachalla Dogo Sule's Camp, both in Tsafe Local Government Area.

A statement signed by the Director of Public Relations and Information (DOPRI), Air

Commodore Ehimen Ejodame, disclosed that the successful operation was conducted under the auspices of the Air Component of Operation FANSAN YAMMA (Sector 2).

The two high-impact precision Air Interdiction (AI) missions were executed on December 28.

The Air Component, Ejodame further noted, acted on credible, multi-source intelligence.

"The first strike targeted Turba Hill, a confirmed bandit hideout. Persistent intelligence,

surveillance and reconnaissance revealed significant human activity and an operational zinc-roofed structure assessed to be central to the enclave's activities", the DOPRI stated.

He said: "Following positive identification, the target was engaged with precision, resulting in a direct hit.

"Post-strike battle damage assessment confirmed the complete destruction of the structure and the neutralisation of several bandits.

"The second AI mis-

sion was conducted at Kachalla Dogo Sule's Camp, a notorious bandit stronghold identified as a key IED manufacturing and operational hub.

"Intelligence had linked the camp to the planning and execution of recent IED attacks along the Dan Sadau-Magami axis."

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The Peoples Democratic Party (PDP) said the declaration by the Minister of the Federal Capital Territory