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Two suspected sub-commanders of the Indigenous People of Biafra/Eastern Security Network, IPOB/ESN, have been killed during a police-led clearance operation in forest hideouts across Amaocha Afara, Umunoha, and Itakala in Mbaitoli and Njaba Local Government Areas of Imo State.

A counter-insurgency and security expert in the Lake Chad region, Zagazola Makama, made this known in a post via its official X handle yesterday.

Police neutralise 2 suspected IPOB/ESN sub-commanders in Imo

Makama stated that the operation, conducted late on February 24, was carried out by tactical teams of the Imo State Police Command following actionable intelligence.

According to the source, on sighting the police operatives, the terrorists engaged in a gun battle, resulting in the death of two sub-commanders identified as alias

“Minute,” from Ebonyi State, and alias “Nwaotu,” from Mkpoku in Mbaitoli LGA.

It added that police recovered two automatic pump-action guns, nine live cartridges, six spent cartridges, and a walkie-talkie from the scene, stating that the remaining members of the group fled with varying degrees of injuries.

“The authorities confirmed that no police personnel were harmed during the operation, while efforts continue to track and apprehend the fleeing terrorists.

“The clearance exercise forms part of the Imo State Police Command’s ongoing campaign to dismantle IPOB/ESN networks in the state,” it said.

6 'pastors' arrested in Ondo over suspected fake miracles

Operatives of the Ondo State Police Command have apprehended six suspected members of a fraud

According to findings, the group preyed on victims facing financial, medical and personal difficulties, promising supernatural solutions while alleg

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