

# Army Kills Son Of Wanted Terrorist Leader, '65' Fighters In Zamfara



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Troops of Operation Fansan Yanma have carried out a major offensive on the camp of notorious bandit leader Ado Alero, in Tsafe Local Government Area of Zamfara State, killing about 65 fighters, including the kingpin's son.

According to a report published on the Nigerian Armed Forces and Military News Facebook page, it claimed that at least 65 fighters were killed during the operation, including Kachalla Iliya Sarki, identified as the biological son of Ado Alero.

According to the report, other key figures allegedly killed during the operation included top lieutenants identified as Dogo Sule and Iliya Mai Rasha.

The report further stated that Alero had reportedly mobilised about 300 motorcycle-riding fighters and reinforcements from allied groups, but was overwhelmed by superior military firepower, including precision airstrikes.

It also indicated that seven vigilantes supporting the troops lost their lives during the encounter. The spokesperson for Operation Fansan Yanma, Capt. David Adewusi, who confirmed the operation in a telephone interview with another media house yesterday, stated that the raid took place on Saturday.

Adewusi said the troops launched a heavy assault on the camp, leading to significant casualties among the bandits. "There was a major attack on Alero's camp last Saturday in Tsafe LGA of Zamfara State, which resulted in the death of several bandits," he said.

The military spokesperson, however, noted that the exact number of casualties was yet to be officially confirmed. "I cannot confirm the exact number of bandits neutralised during the operation at the moment, but I can assure you that many of them were killed during the attack. We are still assessing the situation and will make the details public soon," Adewusi added.