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Unconfirmed reports in Damaturu, the Yobe State capital revealed that over 186 Boko haram insurgents connected with the bloody massacre of about 70 students at College of Agriculture, Gujba, Yobe state have been killed in recent attacks by men of the 7 Division Nigerian Army.

The military, who have been in search of the suspected members of the Boko Haram sect launched aerial bombardment on new camps

sighted via satellite.

Residents of Damaturu told DailyPost that the men of the Joint task Force had claimed on Thursday that they killed scores of the insurgents who perpetrated the act of killing innocent travelers as well as the attack on the College of Agriculture in Guiba town.

It was learnt that the military raided the camps of the insurgents near Mazari village and arrested about 15 suspects.

According to reports, the offensive military raid of the terrorists hideouts was intensified last Sunday when some gunmen suspected to be members of dreaded Boko Haram sect attacked the college's dormitory and opened fire on the students in their sleep before they fled without being arrested.

The Spokesman of the JTF in Damaturu, the Yobe State capital, Captain Eli Lazarus however, told Journalists on Thursday that with the assistance of air strikes and ground troops, the hideouts of the terrorists believed to be the ones who carried separate attacks in the College, Yadi Buni and roadside attacks were identified.

He said following exchange of gunfire with the troops and the terrorists at their camps in Mazari village, scores of the terrorists were killed, while 15 of them were arrested in different locations in Gujba, Yadi Buni towns in an attempt to flee from the offensive military raid.

"Our troops on ground in collaboration with air strike bombardment were able to identify a terrorist's camp in Mazari village, the camp is suspected to be the one harbouring the Boko Haram sects who launched a deadly attack on Gujba College of Agriculture last Sunday where they killed and injured many students.

"Consequently, when we raided the said camp, our men were able to kill many of the terrorists, destroyed the camp and arrest 15 of them who are now helping the military with vital information







on how to locate some of their camps in the bushes", Eli said.

He, therefore, assured the general public that the security agencies were doing everything possible in protecting lives and property in the

He, however, urged all and sundry to cooperate with the military by giving information to the JTF on the hideouts of terrorists or any suspicious movement in their localities, so as to nip terrorism in the bud.

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