

# NAF neutralises insurgents in Northeast

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The Nigerian Air Force (NAF) said it has intensified air operations in the Northeast and neutralised scores of the insurgents in Tumbun Rago, a settlement at the northern fringes of Borno State.

The Director of Public Relations and Information, NAF Headquarters, AVM Olatokunbo Adesanya, disclosed this in a statement yesterday in Abuja.

Adesanya explained that during a routine Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance (ISR) mission on December 20, a NAF ISR platform sighted insurgents' activities at Tumbun Rago, occupied by Albarnawi faction.

"Accordingly, fighter aircraft and helicopters were detailed for air interdiction over the location on December 21, the fighter aircraft took turns to unleash their armament on the location.

"Battle Damage Assessment (BDA) of the attacks revealed that the targeted insurgents structures were destroyed, causing fire within the location and neutralising scores of the insurgents in the process.

“Thereafter, the recently acquired helicopter gunships carried out mop-up attacks on a few fleeing insurgents.