

Troops kill 7 insurgents, rescue 73 captives

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Troops of the 26-Task Force Brigade, under the Sector-1 of the Operation Lafiya Dole, Sunday killed seven Boko Haram insurgents and rescued 73 persons in two separate operations in Sirdawala and Valley villages in Gwoza Local Government Area of Borno state.

Army spokesman, Brig.-Gen. Texas Chukwu, in a statement yesterday, said the troops recorded the victory over the terrorists following a midnight clearance operation to one Sirdawala village on Sunday upon receipt of intelligence that Boko Haram Terrorists were hibernating around Pulka general area.

“Troops of the 121-Battalion in rare display of professionalism tactically located, engaged and neutralized the terrorists hibernating within the community,” he said, explaining that six Boko Haram Terrorists were neutralized, 19 persons comprised of seven women and 12 children and other animals were rescued,” he said.

Chukwu also said the troops further proceeded on another offensive operation in the early hours of yesterday to raid Boko Haram terrorists hideout in Valley village and killed one Boko Haram Terrorist, rescued 54 persons comprised of 18 women and 34 children.

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“Regrettably, an officer sustained injury during the operation and is receiving treatment in a military facility while all the rescued persons are being managed and documented for further handover to the appropriate agency,” he said.

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