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## Troops intensify hits on Boko Haram, destroy hideouts in Sambisa Forest

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Troops of Operation Lafiya Dole through the Air Task Force killed several Boko Haram Terrorists (BHTs) in the Sambisa Forest general area of Borno State during an air strike on Friday.

In a statement signed by Coordinator, Defence Media Operations, Major General John Enenche, the operation was executed based on credible intelligence reports and series of Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance (ISR) missions, which showed that the terrorists had increased their activities in the settlement by importing additional fighters and increasing their logistics stocks preparatory to attacks on troops' locations and surrounding civilian settlements.

He said the Air Task Force dispatched an enhanced force package of attack aircraft and a surveillance platform to engage the location.

Enenche explained that when the Air Task Force spotted the target area, they observed significant activities of the terrorists in different parts of the settlement.

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He said Nigerian Air Force (NAF) fighter jets took turns in attacking the target area, neutralizing many terrorists and destroying their logistics facilities and other structures in successive passes, thereby further degrading them.

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