

Troops neutralise 7 bandits in Kaduna

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Troops of Operation SAFE HAVEN (OPSH) have neutralised seven bandits and recovered arms in the Zangon Kataf local government area of Kaduna state.

OPSH spokesperson, Captain

Oya James, in a statement yesterday, said the troops, while on a fighting patrol, made contact with bandits at Kachallah high-ground and engaged them with superior firepower.

The gun duel, he said, resulted in the neutralisation of six bandits while others escaped

with gunshot injuries.

"Troops further exploited the area and recovered one AK 47 rifle, 2 magazines, 52 rounds of 7.62mm special, one motorcycle, 2 Tecno phones, 2 packs of cigarettes, 56 rounds of 7.62mm Special and 112 rounds of 7.62mm NATO," he said.

He also said the troops

neutralised a suspected bandit, Musa Wada during a search operation at Kondo village of the LGA.

He further disclosed that 33 suspects were arrested in connection with various crimes within the last week.

"Five were arrested for kidnapping, six for dealing in

arms, two for murder, four for railway vandalism and two for farm destruction while 7 bandits were neutralised.

"Additionally, 15 kidnapped victims were rescued, three attacks on vulnerable communities were deterred and eight distress calls were promptly responded to," he added.