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## Military kill 53 insurgents

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AS the war against insurgents in some parts of Borno State continued yesterday with the military still carrying on the coordinated ground and air mop operations, about 53 terrorists have lost their lives as they were pursued out of Maiduguri.

Military sources said that the pursuit was an aftermath of the “diversionary terrorists attacks on Maiduguri and Konduga which have led to the destruction of many lives, including some troops and the terrorists as well as properties. But “Security sources confirmed that at least 53 more terrorists lost their lives as troops in pursuit of terrorists engaged those that fled and their additional reinforcements in the outskirts of Konduga and Maiduguri in a battle on Sunday night and yesterday’s morning.”.

A report by PR Nigeria added that the suicidal attempt on Maiduguri and Konduga might have been staged to divert troops' attention from their goal of commencing the "once and for all" battle against the terrorists by members of the Multinational Joint Task Force from Cameroon, Niger, Nigeria and Chad planned for early this week.

The source stated that "Health and emergency workers are having hectic challenges in evacuating terribly mangled corpses of the terrorists for mass burial."

Meanwhile, intelligence report has it that the troops in Konduga were betrayed by some locals who compromised some information to the terrorists.

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