

Army kills 37 ISWAP terrorists in Borno

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OPERATION Hadin Kai (OPHK), in conjunction with Air Task Force (ATF), has killed 37 Islamic State of West Africa Province (ISWAP) terrorists in Yobe, Borno State.

Aside neutralising the terrorists, their hideouts in Jabullam and Yauma Wango in Abadam Council and Paribus in Sambisa Forest were also destroyed.

The Nigerian Air Force (NAF) Spokesman, Commodore Edward Gabkwet, in Maiduguri, yesterday, said: "This development is com-

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ing as offensive airstrikes by fighter jets destroyed terrorists' camps at the Abadam axis of forest."

He noted that the accurate intelligence-led airstrikes coordinated by the ATF led to the killing of over three dozens of the terrorists.

According to him, multiple air raids were launched after series of aerial surveillance missions indicated massive convergence of the terrorists.

He added: "Several gun trucks and armoury of the terrorists were destroyed, while a ground assessment

by sources revealed that a number of ISWAP high-value fighters were eliminated. Many were seriously injured in the attack."

IN Plateau State, a headmaster is among the two persons killed on Wednesday in Riyom Local Council by gunmen suspected to be Fulani terrorists.

The Guardian learnt that the gunmen invaded Gwol-Hoss village of Riyom about 10.45p.m. and hacked one Bitrus Manzere, a primary school headmaster, to death.

According to a source,

Manzere was returning home after he had passed Sector 6 Headquarters of Operation Safe Haven (OPSH), just some metres away from the Military Base, when the terrorists butchered him before they bolted away.

The police could not be reached to confirm the incident.

HOWEVER, the United Nations (UN) has described the increasing cases of abduction of school children, especially girls, in Northern Nigeria, as worrisome and stressed the need for the international community to work with Nigeria to address the issue.