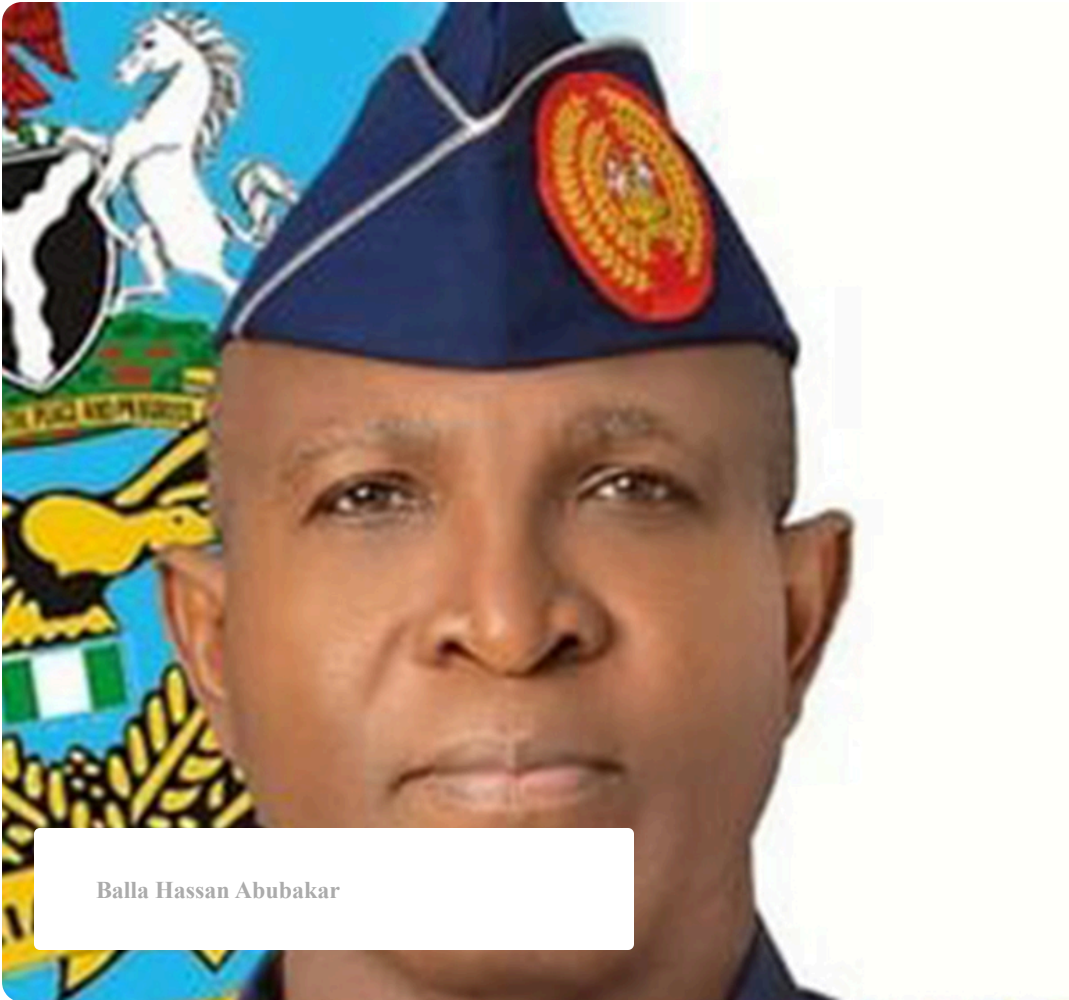


Air Force raids bandits' hideouts in Kwara

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Balla Hassan Abubakar

One killed, another injured in fresh attack

The Nigerian Air Force (NAF) has pounded bandits' locations across Kakihun, Oke-ode, Babanla and surrounding areas in Kwara State after the Sunday morning attack on the Oke-Ode community in Ifelodun Local Council of the state.

The armed men had stormed the Ogbayo area of Oke-Ode, shooting sporadically and targeting members of the local vigilante, and eventually killing 12 persons, including the Baale of Ogbayo, in the process.

NAF's Director of Public Relations and Information, Air Commodore Ehimen Ejodame, in a statement, yesterday, said the reconnaissance and close air support operations were executed to deter threats, while hostile elements sighted east of Babanla were decisively engaged.

According to him, concurrent surveillance flights also covered key settlements and military positions, gathering critical intelligence to support ground forces.

He said the missions, which reaffirmed the force's commitment to protecting troops and civilians, maintained air superiority, and sustained pressure on hostile actors, while all operations were completed successfully.

"The NAF assures Nigerians of its unwavering resolve to defend the nation's territorial integrity and safeguard communities against threats. Citizens are encouraged to remain confident, vigilant, and supportive of the Armed Forces as decisive actions continue to restore lasting peace and security across the country," Ejodame said.

THE development came as bandits launched a violent raid on Marri Village in Patigi council area of the Northcentral state on Sunday night, leaving one person dead, and another injured.

The attack, which took place amid heavy downpour between 9 p.m. and 11 p.m., saw the assailants making away with several motorcycles.

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"However, the military responded swiftly to the distress call. With the prompt intervention of the Nigerian Army, all the stolen motorcycles were successfully recovered from the fleeing criminals," a report said.

According to the report, the swift intervention has brought some relief to residents, though security concerns continue to plague Kwara North.

The Kwara State Police Command had assured that efforts were underway, in collaboration with the military and the National Forest Security Service, to track the perpetrators.