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Troops kill 300 Boko Haram fighters – DHQ



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The Director of Defence Information, Defence Headquarters, Major General Chris Olukolade, has said troops of the **Nigerian Army and personnel of the Air Force have killed over 300 fighters of the Boko Haram sect.**

Olukolade said in a statement on Wednesday that the insurgents were killed during a combined operation of the Air Force and ground forces in 11 communities, which were hitherto under the control of the terrorists group.

According to him, the communities liberated by the troops are **Monguno, Gabchari, Abba Jabari, Gajigana, Gajiram, Damakar, Kumaliwa, Bosso Wanti, Jeram and Kabrisungul.**

He said the troops had commenced a cordon and search operation in the areas involved in the latest operation.

He stated further that some of the terrorists and their weapons were captured by the troops

Olukolade explained that the military captured five different types of armoured fighting vehicles, an anti-

aircraft gun, about 50 cases of packed bombs and eight different types of machine guns, five Rocket Propelled Grenades, 49 boxes of various types and calibres of ammunition while 300 motorcycles were destroyed in the bombardment.

“A total of six Hilux vehicles, including those mounted with anti-aircraft guns, were also destroyed,” he said.

The defence spokesman said **two soldiers lost their lives** and 10 others were wounded in the encounter with the terrorists.

Olukolade said various phases of highly coordinated combined operation, involving the Air Force and ground forces were ongoing in the mission area within and outside the country.

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