

Military Airstrike Takes Out More Terrorists, Destroys Hideouts In Borno

The Defence Headquarters has said that the Air Task Force (ATF) of 'Operation Lafiya Dole' has recorded another appreciable success in the resolve to stem terrorists' activities in the North East Zone.

The Coordinator, Defence Media Operations, Maj.-Gen. John Enenche, announced this in Abuja through a statement on Saturday.

Enenche said the crew of the subsidiary 'Operation Hail Storm 2', had on October 1, neutralised several Boko Haram terrorists, destroying their hideouts at Maima and Tusuy near Warshale and Tongule along the Dikwa-Rann axis of Borno.

He said the feat was achieved sequel to credible intelligence reports and series of aerial surveillance missions, which indicated that the locations were being used as rendezvous points by the terrorists.

According to him, the Air Task Force dispatched an appropriate force package of Nigerian Air Force (NAF) fighter jets and helicopter gunships to engage the two locations.

"The attack aircraft scored devastating hits in the target areas, destroying some structures and neutralising several of the terrorists," he said.

Similarly, the Kaduna

State government said the ban on security checkpoints along Kaduna-Abuja road was still in force.

Samuel Aruwan, Commissioner for Internal Security and Home Affairs, said this in a statement on Saturday in Kaduna.

He stated that following complaints by citizens on the alleged checkpoints on the Kaduna-Abuja road by some security personnel, the Kaduna State Security Council had on September 4, 2019 announced the prohibition of checkpoints on the road.

"The Kaduna State Security Council, last year, issued the advisory, notifying citizens that there were to be no authorised checkpoint along the Kaduna-Abuja Road and other routes, to and fro.

"Any person or group of persons observed to be manning checkpoints along these routes at any time must be considered as carrying out illegal operations, and must be treated as such.

"Road users are strictly warned, not to show compliance with any checkpoint on this route at this time.

"By this statement, citizens are advised to report anybody violating this directive to the security operation centre on the emergency lines: 09034000060, 08170189999," he said.