## Militant, Soldiers Clash: Gov. Akeredolu Donates Cash To Families Of Slain Soldiers

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Following the killing of three soldiers by some militants in Ajakpa community area of Ondo State recently, the state governor, Oluwarotimi Akeredolu (SAN), on Thursday donated cash to families of slain soldiers.

Akeredolu who also used the occasion to condole with the Nigerian Army over the ugly incident, described the death of the

military personnel as regrettable.

The governor, during a condolence visit to the commanding officer of the 19 Battalion, Okitipupa, said the state government would continue to provide logistics support for the military and other security agencies to carry out their functions of protecting the people.

Akeredolu, who was represented by his Senior Special Assistant on Security, Alhaji Jimoh Dojumo, urged them not to relent in their effort to flush out criminals from

the state.

Responding, the commanding officer, 19 Battalion, Lt.-Col. Maaji, who was represented by Captain Michael Ogundele, thanked the governor for sharing in the grief of the Nigerian Army at this difficult time.

He assured the governor of the military's commitment to the discharge of their duties.