

Troops Kill 4 Terrorists, Foil Kidnap Attempt On School Headmaster In Plateau

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Troops of the Nigerian Army killed four terrorists in an ambush and raids in Kaduna and Katsina states at the weekend.

They also foiled a kidnap attempt on Mr Solomon Zakka, the headmaster of Pilot Primary School, Daffo in Plateau State.

The director, army public relations, Major General Onyema Nwachukwu, said the troops on Friday

killed two terrorists while responding to credible intelligence on the use of Gwamtu - Duduwa-Kujeni route in Kajuru local government area of Kaduna State, for movement of logistics to support terrorists in Rijana forest.

He said the troops recovered two AK-47 rifles, two AK-47 magazines, four rounds of 7.62mm (special) and PKGM link belt.

Other items recovered include one recoiling spring, two motorbikes, camouflage jungle hat, packs of tobacco and amulets.

In another operation, troops acting on actionable intelligence raided a terrorists' hideout at Dutsen Kura in Batsari local government area of Katsina State, and killed two terrorists.

General Nwachukwu said the troops recovered

weapons, four pairs of military woodland camouflage and one ballistic helmet.

He said the headmaster was kidnapped from his residence at Maiduna Village in Bokkos local government area of Plateau.

"On being alerted, the vigilant troops pursued and engaged the kidnappers in a firefight, forcing them to relinquish their abductee," he said.