

# Boko Haram kills another army officer in ambush

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Another army officer has been killed in the battle against Boko Haram insurgents.

Lt. Col B U Umar, the commanding officer of 114 TF battalion, was killed barely two weeks after Lt. Col. Muhammed. Abu-Ali died in an ambush.

A senior Officer said Umar was ambushed alongside his troops on Monday on the way to Bitu, in Borno state.

According to him, the late officer and his troops were returning from Mubi, Adamawa state, a town reclaimed from Boko Haram, when his vehicle stepped on an Improvised Explosive Device (IED).

The military source said details of the incident would be released as soon as the military concluded the necessary arrangement.

He however denied that there was heavy casualty saying only Col. Umar was fatally wounded in the incident.

The late Col. Umar was a member of the 48 Regular Course in the Nigeria Defence Academy (NDA).

In response to fresh attacks from the sect, the Air Force has launched a new offensive aimed at further degrading the ranks of the insurgents.

Planes carried out attacks on the insurgents' location at Malkonori in northern Borno State.

Director, Public Relations and Information, Group Captain Ayodele Famuyiwa, said the attack was a follow-up to the close air support operation that repelled the insurgents who attacked Air Force ground soldiers at Kangarwa.

Famuyiwa said survivors among the insurgents fled to Dogochuku where they were also attacked by NAF fighter aircraft and forced to relocate to Malkonori.

Ground forces confirmed a number of the insurgents were killed and their vehicle destroyed from the latest air strike at Malkonori