

Four insurgents killed in Borno

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Troops of 151 and 202 Battalion of 21 Brigade, and 22 Brigade of Operation *Lafiya Dole*, Borno State, yesterday killed four Boko Haram insurgents.

Army spokesman Brig.-Gen. Sani Usman, in a statement yesterday, said one of the insurgents was killed in an ambush on Firgi-Pulka road in Bama.

Others were killed as they tried to penetrate a military barrier disguised as Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs).

The statement reads: “Troops of 151 and 202 Battalions of 21 Brigade, under Operation Lafiya Dole, in furtherance of clearance and blockade Operation Deep Punch II, in separate but well-coordinated attacks, simultaneously on Wednesday, October 4, about 10 am, laid ambush on unsuspecting Boko Haram Terrorists on Firgi-Pulka road, in Bama Local Government Area of Borno State.

“The troops engaged the terrorists in a gun battle, causing the terrorists to abandon their weapons and flee.

“One general multi-purpose Machine Gun (GPMG) and a motorcycle were recovered from the ambush site. An unexploded ordnance was also detonated. However, the troops pursued, neutralised one terrorist and recovered six bundles of zinc.

“Also, crack troops of 22 Brigade of Operation Lafiya Dole, about 6 pm, yesterday, intercepted three insurgents disguised as IDPs and trying to infiltrate a military barrier.

“The troops engaged the insurgents, forcing them to hastily detonate their suicide vest. Two AK-47 rifles, two magazines, with several rounds of ammunition, among other items, were recovered.”