

# Troops kill four Boko Haram insurgents, neutralize four suicide bombers

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## •*Suicide bomber kills self, wounds 13*

the army said yesterday its troops killed four Boko Haram insurgents at Malumti village on the fringes of Sambisa Forest in Borno State.

Brigadier-General Onyema Nwachukwu, the Deputy Director, Army Public Relations, Operation Lafiya Dole, said in a statement in Maiduguri that the insurgents were killed in

an ambush while trying to escape the ongoing clearance exercise under “Operation Deep Punch II” on Friday.

This occurred as one person was killed and 13 others wounded in a suicide bomb attack in Muna area of Maiduguri on Friday night.

The Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO), Mr. Eder Okon, said the victims were hit when four female suicide bombers stormed the Muna Zawuya village in the outskirts of Maiduguri.

He said, “At about 21.49 p.m. on March 30, 2018, four female suicide bombers infiltrated Muna Zawuya village in Mafa Local Government Area, an outskirt of Maiduguri.

“The bombers detonated explosive devices killing themselves and one other woman and injured 13 other persons.

“The 13 injured persons are receiving treatment in hospital.”

In a different version of the incident, Nwachukwu said soldiers deployed at a checkpoint at Muna Garage neutralised four suicide bombers on Friday.

He explained that the bombers – a male and three females – were killed while attempting to infiltrate Maiduguri metropolis.

The insurgents, according to him, were attempting to infiltrate Maiduguri metropolis through Muna Zawiya area at about 9.30 p.m., when they were spotted by vigilance troops who “fired shots, hitting one of them, thereby triggering simultaneous explosions which killed all of them.”

He added: “Regrettably, 18 persons were injured in the incident and have been evacuated for medical attention.”