

Gen. Texas Chukwu said troops also repelled an attack on Bama.

He said: "Unfortunately, two civilians died while three others sustained injuries. One AK-47 rifle was recovered from the terrorists during the encounter."

Gen. Chukwu said one the terrorists who surrendered, Ibrahim Lawal, handed over an AK-47 rifle with two magazines containing 59 rounds of 7.62mm (special) ammunition.

"The repentant insurgents are currently undergoing interrogation and will be handed over to the appropriate authority thereafter," he added.