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## Troops kill 10 bandits in clearance operation

ROOPS of 1 Division,
Nigerian Army,
deployed at Birnin
Gwari Local Government
Area of Kaduna State on
Operation CLEAN SWEEP,
has confirmed 10 bandits
during a clearance operation

at Kuduru forest.

According to the NAN report, the Operation CLEAN SWEEP is the climax of exercise HARBIN KUNAMA III, is aimed at flushing out the remnants of armed bandits, kidnappers and other criminal elements from the North Western Zone of Nigeria.

The General Officer Commanding 1 Division, Nigerian Army, Maj.-Gen. Faruk Yahaya, told newsmen in Kaduna on Friday that the troops inflicted heavy casualties on the bandits, killing 10 of them while others escaped with gunshot wounds.

Yahaya said the bandits'

camp was also destroyed, but that five soldiers sustained injuries during the operation.

He said the injured soldiers were evacuated to 44 Reference Hospital, Kaduna, to save their lives but sadly two of them paid the supreme price.

During a visit to the hospital, the GOC commiserated with the wounded soldiers and also commended the gallantry performance of the dead soldiers.

He assured that their sacrifices would not go in vain.

Yahaya said their bravery and dedication to duty was exemplary that every Nigerian soldier and indeed Nigerians should be proud of.

He promised that the soldiers would be given befitting burials after informing their families of tragic loss.

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