

Army neutralizes 39 bandits in Zamfara

NO fewer than 39 armed bandits were neutralized by soldiers during two different operations in Zamfara State last week, according to Captain Oni Orisan, Operation Hadarin Daji spokesman.

Orisan told the News Agency of Nigeria (NAN) yesterday that the operations were carried out in Bakura and Anka axis of the state.

1 Nineteen of the suspects, he said, were killed in an encounter with the army in Anka while 20 were eliminated in Bakura.

Orisan reiterated that the

soldiers would not attack any repentant bandit.

He, however, said that the unrepentant ones who carry guns and move around in large numbers would be treated as hostile.

He advised the unrepentant bandits to surrender their arms to constituted authorities and embrace the peace initiative of the state government.

2 The Chief of Army Staff, Lt.-Gen. Tukur Buratai visited the state recently, promised that the army would continue to work for the sustenance of peace in the state.

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