Also, the Nigerian Air Force (NAF) has said the Air Component of Operations Hadarin Daji and Hadin Kai have killed dozens of terrorists in Katsina and Borno states in different air interdictions at the weekend.

NAF's Director of Public Relations and Information, AVM Edward Gabkwet, announced this in a statement yesterday in Abuja.

Gabkwet said the streak of successful air strikes denied terrorists freedom of movement aimed at targeting soft targets, especially innocent civilians.

He said one of such strikes was carried out on April 5 at a terrorist enclave located in the Northwest of Yartsamiya Village in Danmusa Local Government Area of Katsina State.

According to him, a set of 11 armed terrorists were sighted moving toward a mountainous area at the location.

"Soon after, two separate sets of terrorists joined the first set of terrorists, and all were observed heading toward the same direction toward the mountainous high ground.

"The need not to let the opportunity of neutralising the terrorists thus became imperative.

"Subsequently, the terrorists were effectively engaged by NAF aircraft in several passes with several neutralised and the few survivors scampering in disarray," he said.