NAF strikes kill bandit leaders, key loyalists in Zamfara



Air strikes by the **Nigerian Air Force (NAF)** jets have killed several bandits, including key loyalists of infamous bandit leaders, Dan-Isuhu and Dogo Sule, in Zamfara State.

The bandits were killed after a NAF intelligence report revealed an assembly of bandits in Babban Kauye village, Tsafe Local Government Area of the state.

NAF's spokesman, Air Commodore Olusola Akinboyewa, in a statement yesterday, said the intelligence revealed that the congregation of criminals was 'perfecting plans for coordinated attacks against military personnel or civilians along the Tsafe axis'.

He said: "Upon receiving credible intelligence, the NAF launched a series of devastating airstrikes, inflicting significant casualties on the criminal elements.

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"Reports from the ground confirmed the successful elimination of numerous high-ranking members of the bandit groups, dealing a severe blow to their operational capacity."

According to Akinboyewa, Tsafe Local Government Area has long been a flashpoint for bandit activities, with factions loyal to Dan-Isuhu and Dogo Sule notorious for orchestrating violent assaults on local communities, security forces, and vital infrastructure.

"These groups have utilised remote settlements like Babban Kauye as strategic safe havens, from which they coordinate and execute their nefarious operations," he noted.