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Troops arrest village head, 42 others in Borno

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TROOPS along Damboa-Chibok axis have arrested 43 persons, said to be unknown vigilantes with Ak-47 rifles, during an ongoing operations in the area.

According to **Operation Lafiya Dole** Media Coordinator, Colonel Mustapha Anka, those arrested included one who claimed to be the Village Head of Kopchi.

According to Anka, they claimed to be operating around Madagali General Area, but were carrying six AK-47 rifles and 15 Magazines.

"When accosted, the suspects claimed they were in Damboa to identify a suspected Boko Haram terrorist in Kaya village. They were seen with Ak-47 rifles. They were suspected to be Boko Haram terrorists trying to disguise and were arrested. They are currently in custody undergoing interrogation," Colonel Anka said.

In another development, Troops of 25 Task Force, on routine operations to clear Ajigin, killed some insurgents and recovered 50 motorcycles and three vehicles.

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