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Troops overpower, kill bandits in gunfire, free captives, nab two in Zamfara

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THE troops of the **Operation Sharan Daji** has conducted raids and ambush operations on some major camps of bandits in Maradun, Tsafe and Zurmi Local Government Area of Zamfara State

In a statement by Colonel Muhammad Dole, Force information officer of task force, the troops overpowered the bandits during a recent clearance operation along Mashema, Kwadi, kalage, Gambiru and Kagara axis, when heavy fighting ensued between troops and the bandits.

However, due to overwhelming military fire power, a reasonable number of the bandits were neutralised and their camps set ablaze.

The statement further

explained that the operations created relative peace and spurred massive return of Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) to their villages in Zurmi Local Govt Area (LGA).

During another encounter at DABAN- DOKA village near Dansadau, Zamfara, troops layed ambush along bandits' identified routes where 20 bandits were neutralised, while others escaped with gunshot wounds and several motorcycles were burnt.

Meanwhile, troops have commenced aggressive 24 hour fighting patrol around Kyaranke and Giwabawa villages in Kano District of Maru LGA, following a tip-off on imposition of N1 million levy on each of the villages by the bandits.

Another tip off led to

the rescue and recovery of kidnapped victims and the sum of N500, 000 ransom from kidnappers in Subulu forest.

The statement confirmed

the arrest of one Muhammad Aminu and his accomplice popularly called **Yellow**, at Tashan Udda in Maradun Local Government Area of Zamfara State.

Ogun gets new date for airlift of pilgrims

THE Ogun State Muslim Pilgrims' Welfare Board, has received a new date for the airlift of its 2018 intending Pilgrims to Makkah and Medina from the National Hajj Commission of Nigeria (NAHCON).

Executive Secretary of the Board, Alhaji AbdulHakeem Kalejaiye who made this known in Abeokuta, said the 299 first set of intending Pilgrims would leave for Hajj Camp in Lagos on

Wednesday, be bided by the state governor, Senator Ibikunle Amosun same day at the Arcade Ground, Oke-Mosan, Abeokuta and airlifted to Median International Airport on Thursday.

Kalejaiye enjoined all the intending pilgrims to report at the agency's head quarter, governor's office, Oke-Mosan, Abeokuta, to collect their travel documents and Basic Travel Allowance (BTA) from 8:00 am.