## Troops kill 25 terrorists in clearance operation in Borno —Army

TROOPS of Operation Tura Takaibango have eliminated 25 Boko Haram/Islamic State in West Africa Provinve (ISWAP) terrorists and captured cache of arms and ammunition in a clearance operation around Chikun Gudu and Kerenoa in Borno, the News Agency of Nigeria (NAN) has reported.

The Director, Army Public Relations, Brigadier-General Mohammed Yerima, disclosed this in a statement on Wednesday in Abuja.

Yerima said Chikun Gudu and Kerenoa are adjoining villages under Marte Local Government Area of Borno.

He said the operation was conducted on Tuesday by the combined troops of Sector 1 Operation Lafiya Dole and 402 Special Forces Brigade.

He said two Browny Machine Gun, 20 AK-47 rifles,

five FN rifles, two 60mm Motar Tube and two General Purpose Machine Guns were recovered by troops during the encounter.

"Other weapons captured during the operation include three Anti-Air Craft Guns, two Automatic Grenade Launchers, two gun trucks and one CJTF Hilux, among others.

"The troops, not swayed by the success, projected further to ensure no element of the terrorists were left within the area."

Yerima said that the Chief of Army Staff, Lieutenant-General Ibrahim Attahiru, had commended the troops and charged them to maintain the momentum.

He said that the army chief also instructed the troops not relent in their new offensive against the terrorists.