

③ NAF aircraft strike ISWAP logistics commander, six guntrucks in Borno

FIGHTER aircraft of the Nigerian Air Force (NAF) on Sunday eliminated scores of Islamic State of West African Province (ISWAP)/Boko Haram terrorists, including their commanders in Lamboa in Kaga Local Government Area of Borno State.

PRNigeria gathered that the multiple airstrikes conducted by a mix of NAF aircraft including Alpha-Jets, L-39 and MI-35 helicopters, might have also killed the notorious ISWAP logistics commander, Modu Sullum.

Modu Sulum was respon-

sible for the destructions of power transmission towers at Malanari along Maiduguri-Damaturu Highway and attacks on travellers in Auno and Jakana axis.

The insurgents, in a convoy of eight-gun trucks, had invaded Lamboa, preparatory to launching a gruesome attack in Mainok axis in the state.

But the terrorists were swiftly engaged by ground and air troops, who foiled their missions after the NAF reconnaissance platform had earlier hovered over

the location before the airstrikes.

It was gathered that over a dozen ISWAP/Boko Haram fighters were killed by bombardments of the military fighter aircraft.

When contacted, NAF spokesperson, Air Commodore Edward Gabkwet, confirmed the success of the military airstrikes.

He told PRNigeria that: "Yes, it was a very successful operation. Of the eight terrorist gun trucks sighted by our surveillance team, the aircraft successfully took out

six of the trucks, including an unconfirmed number of terrorists who were eliminated.

"Currently the ground troops of the Nigerian Army and our air elements are mopping up the area and assessing the situation."

Meanwhile, PRNigeria gathered that other military offensives are simultaneously taking place in other axes, including Magumeri with the resumption of office of the new Theatre Commander of Operation Hadi Kai, Major-General Chris Musa.

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