

29 bandits killed in NAF's airstrike in Katsina, kidnapped victims rescued

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THE Nigerian Air Force (NAF) has neutralised 29 bandits following an airstrike near Bakori Hills and Yartsintsiya in Kankara Local Government Area of Katsina State.

The air strike followed a recent attack in Kankara council area by bandits.

Reports confirm that eight

bandits were killed by gunshot wounds and 21 by bomb fragments.

The operation also led to the liberation of several kidnapped victims, including the daughter of the village head of Ruwan Godiya, who had been held captive for months.

A resident of Kankara, who identified himself as Malam

Musa, told the Nigerian Tribune that the Air Force launched the attack on Tuesday evening, adding that it destroyed the hideouts of the bandits in areas of Bakori and Kankara local government areas.

Musa said: "The Air Force worked with ground forces and intelligence agencies for the operation.

"We urge government to send more troops to comb the forests in the areas so that we can be able to farm on our lands."

It will be recalled that four days ago, the bandits terrorising the areas attacked farmers, killing at least 50 in their farms.

They also warned people against going to their farms.