

Soldiers rescue 338, kill 30 Boko Haram insurgents

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THE troops of the Nigerian Army have rescued 338 captives of the Boko Haram insurgents in Borno State.

The Acting Director, Army Public Relations, Col. Sani Usman, said in an electronic mail on Wednesday that the troops also killed 30 members of the violent sect during the operation.

Usman said that the troops of the 28 Task Force Brigade released the Boko Haram's captives and killed the 30 members of the sect during a raid on the terrorists' camps at Bulajilin and Manaeashe, along Bita and Damboa roads near the Sambisa Forest on Tuesday.

The Army spokesman said, "Troops of the 28 Task Force Brigade, Nigerian Army, deployed at Bitta and Pridang carried out a successful raid on suspected Boko Haram terrorists' camps at Bulajilin and Manawashe villages along Bita and Damboa road at the fringes of Sambisa forest on Tuesday.

"The troops were able to kill 30 Boko Haram terrorists. The unit also rescued 338 persons that were held captive by the terrorists in the enclaves.

"The rescued persons, which comprised of male, 8; female, 138; and children 192, have since been evacuated to Mubi."

He added that the troops also recovered "one General

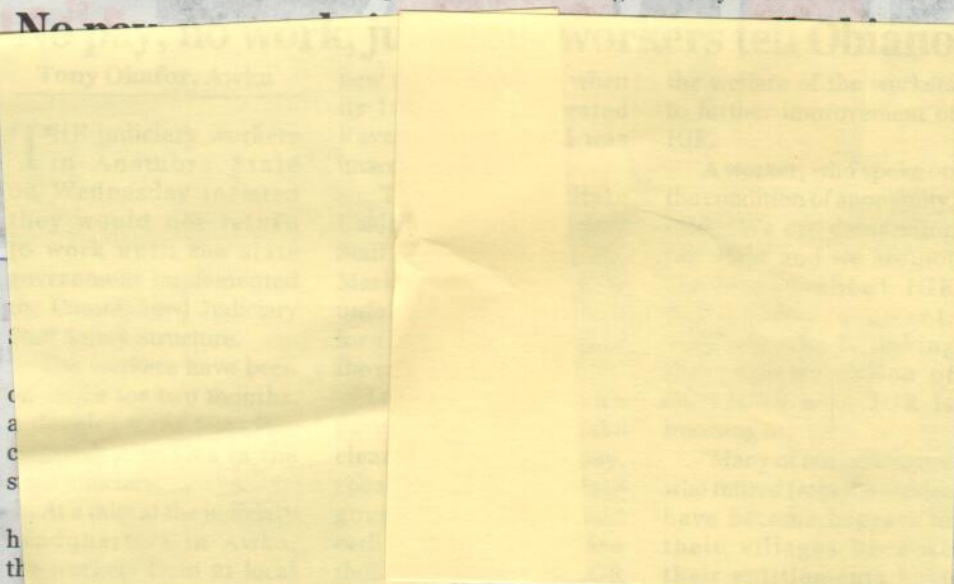
Purpose Machine Gun and 2 dane guns 150 rounds of 7.62mm, 6 boxes of 7.62mm (NATO) and 3 cutlasses."

Usman said that the soldiers also ambushed and killed four terrorists who were on a suicide mission to Gubula in the Madagali Local Government Area of Adamawa State.

According to him, the troops recovered two AK-47

rifles, some un-exploded ordinances, mortar bombs and cash sum of N153,385k from the insurgents.

He said that the operation coincided with the visit of the Chief of Army Staff, Lt. Gen. Tukur Buratai, to the operational areas and it further degraded the capacity of the insurgents and saved many lives.



government areas of the state said the condition given by the state government that it would only implement the

improved.

According to him, IGR has improved but the government is still tying

not been paid. We do not understand why Anambra State judiciary should be different from those of other states."

The state government

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