Troops kill 15 bandits in Zamfara

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Troops of the 223 Light Tank Battalion, Gusau, Zamfara State, have killed 15 bandits in two separate operations in the state, the Commanding Officer of the battalion, Lt. Col. Abdullahi Adamu, has said.

Adamu, who disclosed this to the News Agency of Nigeria in Gusau on Wednesday, said the operations were carried out between September 7 and 10, this year.

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said an early morning raid was launched on a suspected bandits' hideout in Dumburum Forest in ni Local Government Area of the state during which seven bandits were killed, while many others aped with bullet wounds.

e commanding officer said one round of 2.7mm calibre ammunition and a pair of army desert nouflage uniform were recovered from the camp of the fleeing bandits.

said the troops then invaded Bagega area in Anka Local Government Area, but added that the dlums had already fled before their arrival.

mu, however, said the soldiers destroyed the camp along with one motorcycle which was abandoned he criminals.

added that the troops raided another bandits' camp at Gando Forest near Baruba village in Bukkuyum Local Government Area where eight bandits were killed, others fled with bullet wounds, while the camp was completely burnt.

He said all existing camps and the bandits' means of transportation were being destroyed by the soldiers, while clearance patrol was ongoing across the forests in order to apprehend the fleeing bandits.

The commanding officer said all the operations were being supported by the police, the operatives of the Department of State Services, local vigilante groups and men of the Nigeria Security and Civil Defence Corps.

He appealed to the people of the state to continue to give useful information to security agencies in order to rid the state of criminals.