## Troops kill five bandits, rescue two kidnap victims in Kaduna

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Troops of the 1 Division of the Nigerian Army in Operation Thunder Strike and Operation Harbin Kunama III have killed five suspected bandits and arrested four others in two separate operations in Chikun Local Government Area of Kaduna State.

According to the Deputy Director, Army Public Relations 1 Division Nigerian Army, Col. Ezindu Idima, who disclosed this in a statement on Sunday in Kaduna, the troops also rescued two kidnap victims.

The Army spokesman said the troops of the Operation Harbin Kunama III dislodged bandits' camp at Dagu Village in Igabi LGA on July 24, following a credible information.

Idima said during the operation, two bandits were killed and one was arrested, while others escaped with gunshot wounds.

He added that troops also rescued two kidnap victims — Yakubu Hamidu and Isa Saidu — around Makarfi Farm junction, also in Igabi LG.

He also said two motorcycles belonging to the criminal elements were destroyed during an exchange of fire in that operation.

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