

# 152 terrorists killed, 109 arrested in one week – DHQ

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**T**he Defence Headquarters on Friday, said troops during the week killed a total of 152 terrorists and arrested 109.

The military high command further revealed that the strongholds of two notorious terrorist leaders were destroyed: one in the Sadiku enclave at Tsora

Hill, Safana Local Government Area of Katsina State, and the other in the Alhaji Yusuf enclave within Yadi Forest, in Giwa LGA of Kaduna State.

In a statement by the Director of Media Operations, Maj. Edward Buba, he said the troops' achievements were an indication that the military was steadily progressing towards the goal

of destroying all the criminal elements.

He said, "The war against terrorists, insurgents, violent extremists and others perpetrating insecurity in the country wages and troops are sustaining the momentum to achieve victory. Indeed, the armed forces are steadily progressing towards the goal of destruction of all these

elements.

"Given recent events, the military learns every day and makes improvements on ways to better deal with threat situations posed by these terror groups. Troops are moving in against the terrorists and denying them freedom of action.

"Overall, troops operations during the week resulted in 152 terrorists neutralised, 109 arrested and 91 hostages rescued."

Buba added, "In the South-South, troops denied the oil theft of the estimated sum of N795,683,395.00 only.

"Furthermore, troops crippled crude oil theft activities at the following locations through air interdiction: Bugama, Idama, Cawtome Channel and Krakrama, all in Rivers State. Troops also apprehended two female terrorist collaborators responsible for negotiations with relatives of victims for ransom."

## Lawyers, SERAP fault Tinubu's policies on fuel price hike

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**L**egal practitioners have criticised President Bola Tinubu's administration, arguing that the recent hikes in fuel prices, electricity tariffs, and tuition fees, among other policies, have inflicted immense hardship on Nigerians, thus constituting a breach of the Nigerian Constitution.

They claim that Tinubu's

so that it will not negatively affect the welfare of citizens.

"It is only those in government who can choose to adhere to Chapter 2 of the Constitution. The non-enforceability of this chapter has reduced Nigerians to beggars for what they are entitled to."

Also commenting on the issue, a constitutional lawyer, Akin Bajepade, noted that Tinubu's economic policies contradict the provisions of Sections 14 and 16

of Chapter 2 of the Nigerian

incorrect to state that the President breaches the provisions of Chapter 2 of the constitution.

Lateef explained that the provisions in the chapter are aspirational and ideal things that the government should work towards achieving.

He submitted that the provision of welfare, security and prosperity, among other things that the chapter provides are not measurable and justifiable.