

Boko Haram: 3 soldiers die, others injured as military penetrates Sambisa

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THE Army, yesterday, said it lost three soldiers as it continues an offensive into the Sambisa forest to rout Boko Haram members.

One officer and two others were said to have been injured during the operation, which led to the destruction of terrorists camps at Shuari, Adembe, Yerimari Kura, Yerimari Gana, Gonin Kurmi, Kore, Mainya Kore, and

Lopere.

The army, in a statement, noted that having embarked on a full-scale war on the terrorists, said it has deployed various units of soldiers who have advanced deep into the forest, has cleared most of their camps and recovered various arms and rescued persons hitherto held captive.

Acting Spokesman for the army, Colonel Sani Usman, said in the statement that some members of the terrorist group have been arrested

and they are now leading soldiers to their strongholds.

Items recovered from the terrorists include foodstuffs, motorcycles, flags, Improvised Explosive Making Devices (IED) materials and military uniforms.

Other discovers include tunnels, weapons and equipment, 2,000 cows rustled from various persons over time and rescued women and children held captives by the Boko Haram.

While the animals have

been moved to Kanwuri, persons have been evacuated and are being given all the necessary support and assistance, Usman said.

According to Usman, "during the encounter with the terrorists at Yerimari Gana, a number of Boko Haram members were killed and some suspected terrorists were arrested who are being interrogated. However, a soldier sustained gun shot wound and fracture on the leg."

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