

Soldiers ambush Boko Haram, kill 7

THE Nigerian Army yesterday said it ambushed and killed seven Boko Haram terrorists in the early hours of the day while several of them escaped with gunshot injuries.

A statement signed by Col. Sani Usman said: "Troops of 7 Brigade have ambushed and killed 7 Boko Haram terrorists at Dawashi early this (Sunday) morning."

"The gallant troops, that laid in wait at the terrorists suspected crossing point, engaged them on sight and killed the seven terrorists."

"The troops recovered one Peugeot Station Wagon loaded with 2,010 litres of Premium Motor Spirit (PMS) packed in 67 jerri cans, uniforms, some materials and Improvised Explosive making Devices (IEDs)."

Others items recovered, according to the statement, include, dry cell batteries, one AK-47 rifle, tools and fish." Last Wednesday, two female suicide bombers killed 22 people at a mosque.

The attack, which also wounded 18 people, occurred during morning prayers in the village of Ummarari, six kilometres from Maiduguri, Borno State capital.

Similarly, in February, two suicide bombers, aslo women, blew themselves up at a camp for Internally Displaced People in Dikwa, 85 kilometres from Maiduguri.