

•Vice Chancellor of Usmanu Danfodiyo University, Sokoto, Prof. Abdullahi Zuru; other officials of the institution and the Federal Ministry of Works inspecting a collapsed culvert on Sokoto city-main campus road, yesterday. Photo: NAN.

...NAF kills 300 in weekend strikes

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NO fewer than 300 Boko Haram terrorists have been killed in weekend airstrikes on the insurgents encalves by the Nigerian Air force fighters in northeast Borno State, Chief of Air Staff (CAS), Air Marshal Sadique Abubakar disclosed.

Abubakar, who was at Borno central town of Bama to commission boreholes and 30 bedrooms Emergency Hospital established by Nigerian Airforce for the

displaced persons at the Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) camp yesterday, told newsmen that the airmen conducted airstrikes on identified Boko Haram targets in the state between Friday and early hours of Sunday.

"We have intensified our airstrikes in recent weeks, especially on the 19th of August. We struck the terrorist en mass. I am happy about our last night operations, at least, 300 terrorists were killed in that operations, they can never wake up to fight us again," the CAS said.

He urged the military

troops in the area to "continue to do the jobs" they are doing, vowing that "there is no hidden place for Boko Haram because we shall continue to strike them." He also asked the insurgents to "come out wherever they are to surrender and face justice or they die."

While commissioning the borehole and 30-bedroom hospital, he said it was the responsibility of the airforce and entire military forces to secure any part of Nigeria and her citizenry from enemies. He said the Nigerian Airforce built the hospital to

address health challenges of IDPs at the camp. "We have trained personnel that will be attending to their challenges here," he disclosed.

He also donated some money to IDP pupils who are attending the tent-made school provided by some UN humanitarian agencies and Borno State government.

Gov Kashim Shettima, who accompanied the Air Chief, commended the Nigerian Air Force for building the hospital for the displaced persons, saying "the hospital came when it is most needed."

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