

A day after, on January 6, 2017 at about 11:40am, troops, according to Irabor, "while on patrol at Awti village General Area arrested one Alhaji Muhammed with gunshot wounds on his left leg. The suspect confessed to being among the Boko Haram terrorists who were ambushed by our troops around Rann on December 30, 2016. The suspect is currently undergoing medical treatment in one of our medical facilities while interrogation also is ongoing."

Irabor said during a Boko Haram attack on January 7, 2017, an officer and three soldiers were killed.

"At about 1740hrs, some terrorists attacked our troops location through the Range Area. The troops repelled the attack. Sadly, an officer and three soldiers were killed in action. By first light the following day, own troops went pursuit of the attackers by trailing their tracks.

"The tracks led the troops through Golgore up to Buliasari village, where our troops discovered a camp observed to have been their staging area. Apart from one dead Boko Haram terrorists, discovered at the camp, a camel bag and several jackets, all soaked in blood, were discovered. The troops also found a pair of forceps, disposable hand gloves and cotton wool all stained in blood suspected to be as a result of the heavy casualty inflicted on Boko Haram terrorists during the attack.