

ISWAP kills 4 soldiers, injures 15 others in Borno ambush

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FOUR soldiers have been killed while 15 others were injured in an ambush by Boko Haram terrorists at Ala village between Marte and Dikwa towns in Borno State.

It was gathered that the terrorists belonging to the Islamic State of West Africa Province (ISWAP) had planted

improvised explosive device (IEDs) on the road, which the soldiers ran over while traveling from Dikwa to Maiduguri.

The soldiers who were granted pass by military authorities to go and spend time with their families came under attack when the leading vehicle escorting the convoy stepped on an IED planted by the terrorists at Ala village.

The terrorists who also laid an ambush in the area were

said to have opened fire at the other vehicles in the convoy, killing four soldiers and injuring 15 others.

A rescue team deployed from Dikwa to rescue the soldiers engaged the terrorists in heavy shootout. The terrorists later escaped into the bush.

The injured soldiers have since been moved to a military medical facility in the area while the bodies of the dead soldiers were deposited

at the morgue.

The army authorities are yet to issue a statement on the attack.

The attack is coming amid the window given to terrorists to surrender their arms and embrace peace.

The Theatre Commander, Operation HADIN KAI, Major General Christopher Musa, had said that foreigners had taken over the Boko Haram group.