

NAF Pounds Terrorists' Strongholds, Kill Scores In Katsina, Zamfara

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The air component of Operation Hadarin Daji struck and destroyed the strongholds of terrorists in Katsina and Zamfara states, leaving scores of the fighters dead.

NAF's Director of Public Relations and Information, AVM Edward Gabkwet who disclosed this, said the air component carried out airstrikes on 5 March, 2024 at the stronghold of the infamous terrorist leader, Maudi Maudi, and several other terrorist kingpins situated south of Tsaskiya in Safana local government area (LGA) of Katsina State.

AVM Gabkwet said the strikes were prompted by painstaking Intelligence Surveillance and Reconnaissance operations conducted in the targeted vicinity where clusters of huts were observed amid rocky terrain.

He added that the surveillance also confirmed a substantial presence of armed terrorists loitering among the huts, after which the authorization to strike was obtained.

Gabkwet added that a post-strike Battle Damage Assessment revealed that the targeted location engulfed in flames, with a few survivors observed fleeing to safety.

Although he confirmed the killing of several terrorists in the airstrikes, the NAF spokesman could not ascertain the fate of Maudi Maudi.