

Soldiers foil terrorists attack on 2 Borno villages, kill scores of terrorists, recover VBIED, others

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The Nigerian Army said troops fighting the counter insurgency war the north east have another attack in New Marte, in Borno state, and killed scores of terrorists.

The failed attack took place in the early hours of May 27, 2025, when insurgents attempted to infiltrate the troops' location in the town.

Acting Deputy Director Army Public Relations.

Headquarters Theatre Command Operation HADIN KAI, Captain Reuben Kovangiya, who made this known, said the troops In a well-coordinated operation by ground forces bolstered by the Air Component of Operation HADIN KAI (OPHK), killed scores of the Boko Haram/ISWAP terrorists during the operations and recovered one of the Vehicle Borne Improvised Explosive Device SUV abandoned by the terrorists.

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Sadly two soldiers lost their lives during the operation that called for reinforcements from 24 Task Force Brigade Garrison and 134 Special Forces Battalion, who swiftly mobilised to the location, engaging the terrorists with heavy gunfire.

Kovangiya, in a statement, said The Air Component provided immediate Intelligence Surveillance and Reconnaissance, as well as offensive fire support, leading to the decimation of several fleeing terrorists. Regrettably, two soldiers paid the ultimate sacrifice.

He says Significantly, troops during exploitation of the general area, recovered one of the Vehicle Borne Improvised Explosive Device SUV abandoned by the terrorists during pursuit by troops, including several motorcycles conveying the terrorists destroyed by the precision air strikes of the Air Component of OPHK. Troops also discovered lifeless bodies of the terrorists, with traces of blood on their withdrawal routes, further suggesting more casualties inflicted on the terrorists.