

Usman added that also troops of 112 Battalion on patrol from Mafa to Dikwa were ambushed at Ajiri village, by Boko Haram terrorists.

He said though they successfully cleared the ambush, one soldier died in the process, while an officer and three soldiers sustained various degrees of injury.

Usman added that one of the civilian JTF accompanying the patrol team was also injured. He said the team killed eight Boko Haram terrorists and recovered arms and ammunitions at the ambush site.

The recovered items included one rocket propel grenade (RPG), AK-47 rifles, two RPG bomb, three AK-47 rifle magazine and 120 rounds of 7.62mm ammunition.

The troops also discovered three Improvised Explosive Devices (IEDs) concealed by the edge of the road which were safely detonated by the Explosive Ordnance Device (EOD) team.