

NAF airstrikes destroy illegal oil refining sites, eliminate terrorists

stroyed three Illegal Refining Sites (IRS).

"The sites have a total number of seven overhead tanks concealed under thick mangrove vegetation.

"Similarly, about five kilometers downstream, four boats were also sighted moving southwards with suspected illegally refined products. Our men attacked and destroyed the boats.

"While heading back, the crew spotted a speed boat with five suspected oil thieves fleeing the area.

"Upon sighting the aircraft, the criminals increased speed, hoping to evade the aircraft, but the air component then pursued the speedboat

until they arrived at the blocking zone of ground troops where they were arrested," he said.

Explaining further, Gabkwet said that

similar successes were recorded in the North West Region.

This followed a tip-off about the terrorists hibernating at Dandunu after rustling cattle from communities around the Kuchi-Kapana axis in Munya Local Government Area of Niger State.

Gabkwet said that the NAF subsequently deployed its air assets to scan the area which led to the interception of the terrorists on nine motorcycles leading the rustled cattle.

According to him, the motorcycle-riding terrorists were struck by the aircraft in several passes with most of them eliminated in the process.



Air Force personnel