In a related development, Usman said that the troops of 22 Brigade Garrison accompanied by Civilian JTF also carried out patrol at Albanya village and its environs along Dikwa-Marte axis.

According to him, the troops encountered Boko Haram terrorists at Sinabaya village which is left of Marte-Kaje road in Dikwa Local Government Area of Borno State.

The DAPR said during the encounter, the troops killed three and apprehended 11 Boko Haram terrorists.

He also listed the items recovered by patrol team to include one AK-47 rifle with registration number N37113 and five AK-47 rifle magazines.

He stated other items recovered to include a 36 hand grenade, three rounds of 7.62mm (Special) ammunition, four motorcycles, three bicycles, a magazine pouch and mobile telephone handset.