

NAF Destroys Terrorists' Hideouts, Kills Many Insurgents

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The Nigerian Air Force (NAF) said it has destroyed an Islamic State of West Africa Province (ISWAP) terrorists' hideout in the Northern part of Borno State.

The NAF said it also killed some of the ISWAP fighters at Arrinna Ciki on the fringes of the Lake Chad in the same area.

NAF Director of Public Relations and Information, Commodore Ibikunle Daramola, disclosed this in a statement issued yesterday in Abuja.

He said the operation was conducted through the Air Task Force (ATF) of Operation Lafiya Dole.

"This was accomplished through air strikes conducted on November 1 and 2 sequel to intelligence reports indicating that the terrorists were using the settlement as a staging area to launch attacks against our forces.

"The air strike on November 1 was initiated when a Nigerian Air Force (NAF) Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance (ISR) platform, on confirmatory reconnaissance mission, spotted some ISWAP vehicles under some trees in the area.

"Accordingly, the ATF scrambled its fighter jets to attack the location, recording successful strikes to immobilise the vehicles.