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# Troops Vanquish 17 Insurgents as Boko Haram, ISWAP Clash Claims Scores of Terrorists

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Theatre Commander, Operation Hadin Kai, North-east Joint Task Force, Maj. Gen. Christopher Musa, said yesterday that troops of "Operation Hadin Kai (OPHK)" killed 17 fighters of terror groups, Boko Haram and Islamic State West Africa Province (ISWAP) in Damasak, Mobbar Local Government Area of Borno State.

Musa made the disclosure in Borno as another fierce battle between Boko Haram and ISWAP broke out in the North-east leading to the death of scores of insurgents.

The clash, which took place in Dikwa Local Government Area, also left many fighters from Boko Haram injured.

Sources said ISWAP also seized nine motorcycles from the Boko Haram in the aftermath of the bloody gun duel.

The commander said troops arrested three other terrorists alive, and also recovered motorcycles and other assorted weapons from the encounter which took place on Sunday.

He said the insurgents

met with stiff resistance and superior fire power of the troops, who engaged them in a fire-fight that lasted several hours, forcing the insurgents

to withdraw.

Damasak, a town in Mobbar Local Government Area, is located near the confluence of the Yobe River and Komadugu

Gana River, adjoining the border with Niger 34 km from Difa in Niger and 3km between Damasak and the border with Niger.

The theatre commander explained that the troops, supported by the Air Component of OPHK mounted a hot pursuit of the fleeing

terrorists.

Giving insight into the clash of the two terror groups, a top security analyst in the Lake Chad area, Mr.



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