

## NEWS

# Troops Dislodge Bandits' Camps, Rescue Six Hostages in Kaduna

## Two kidnappers killed, two escape in Kogi

**Ibrahim Oyewale** in Lokoja

The Kaduna State Government said troops of Operation Forest Sanity have dislodged bandits' camps and rescued six hostages in Chikun Local Government Area of the state.

The Commissioner for Internal Security and Home Affairs, Mr. Samuel Aruwan, said in a statement issued yesterday in Kaduna.

He said that the operation was conducted in Kuriga and Marini communities on Tuesday.

This is just as the Chairman of Idah Local Government Area of Kogi State, Abu Odoma, has confirmed the death two dare-devil kidnappers who lost their lives during a gun duel with security operatives in Idah while two others escaped with bullet wounds.

Aruwan said it was in furtherance of the weekend breakthrough recorded by the security forces in its clearance

of bandits and terrorists' camps around the state.

"After clearing the camp, the troops rescued six kidnapped

citizens who were held at the location.

"The rescued persons have been safely reunited with their

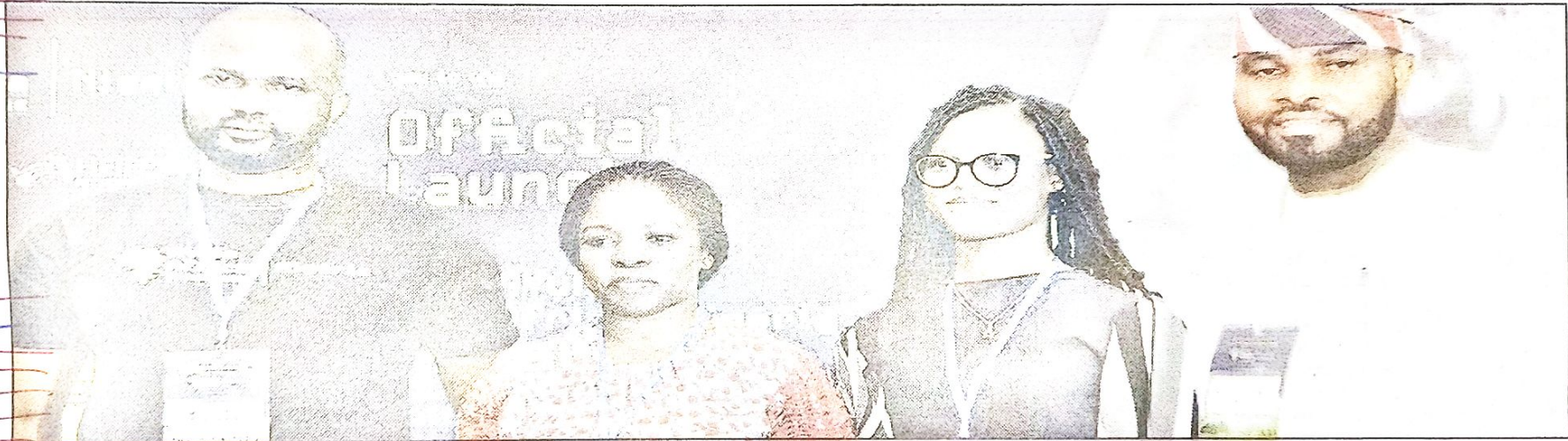
families," Aruwan said.

The commissioner said the state government was grateful to the military and other security

agencies in their efforts to make the state safe.

"The government warmly commended the troops, police

personnel, intelligence operatives, vigilante members and other security forces, for another successful round of operation.



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