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should rather remain until payment is completed."

## Troops kill 80 ISWAP terrorists, lose 2 officers

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**I**N continuation of clearance operations by troops comprising Army, Navy and Air Force personnel on *Boko Haram* and ISWAP terrorists locations in Baga and other communities in Borno North, troops have killed over 80 terrorists and reclaimed the Navy base as well as several towns.

A statement by Brigadier General Sani Usman, Director, Army Public Relations, said: "In

the determined efforts to wipe out the remnants of *Boko Haram* terrorists that now goes by the appellation of Islamic State of West Africa Province, ISWAP, the gallant troops of the newly-formed Nigerian Army Special Forces Command, NASFC, *Operation Lafiya Dole*, have given the terrorists that attacked troops location in Baga a bloody nose.

"The triumphant troops, particularly the highly revered 707 Special Forces Brigade, which is the vanguard of the great exploit,

dealt the decisive blow that neutralised several terrorists along that axis despite prior warning to them by some unpatriotic elements.

"Special Forces commenced clearance operations on December 28, 2018, where they cleared Zare, Gudumbali, Kukawa and Cross Kauwa without any resistance from suspected terrorists.

"However, at Cross Kauwa, the unfortunate ISWAP terrorists made a costly mistake of raising their ugly heads. In professional fashion the troops exploited the situation to instantly and decisively neutralise the insurgents and capture some equipment.

"Though some of the terrorists attempted to infiltrate troops' camp at Monguno, the gallant troops lured them, neutralised many of them and recovered some arms and ammunition. The troops, who are in high spirits, had since linked up with other forces in Baga."



**The re-enforcement of concrete guard at Agbaroh Bridge along East-West Road, Delta State, by Ughelli North Local Government, headed by Godwin Adode. PHOTO: Nath Onojake.**