

We killed 20 insurgents, seized weapons — MILITARY

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At least 60 persons were killed by Boko Haram and its partner, the Independent State of West Africa, IWSAP, on Saturday, following attacks on communities in Gubio, Monguno, Nganzai, Magumeri and Bama Local Government Areas of Borno State.

It was learned that 20 of the casualties were soldiers but the Military remained silent on its casualties in its reaction to the attacks yesterday, only disclosing that its troops killed 20 of the insurgents and seized their weapons, including Rocket Propelled Grenades, RPGs.

Several civilians were also injured in the attacks, which culminated in the razing of UN Humanitarian office, police station and vehicles in Monguno.

The killings came barely a week after 81 persons were killed in a coordinated attack on Felo, Chingwa and Hoyo communities in Gubio Local Government Area.

A resident, who fled the attack, Mallam Abubakar Liman, said 42 civilians were massacred after clash with the insurgents, and Monguno, where unspecified number of soldiers were killed after the insurgents overwhelmed military checkpoints.