

"It will interest you to know that who was kidnapped last Saturday after investigations.

## 10 soldiers killed in ISWAP ambush

**A**t least 10 soldiers have been killed by suspected members of the Islamic States West Africa Province (ISWAP) who attacked Garin Giwa village in Kukawa local government area of Borno State.

Military sources told TheCable that many soldiers sustained injuries in the attack which happened on Wednesday morning.

Two gun trucks were reportedly taken from the troops who were on a routine patrol when their convoy came under attack.

"The troops engaged the terrorist in an encounter which lasted for about 30 minutes, and as a result we lost 10 of our special forces soldiers. The insurgents took us by surprise," one of the sources said.

"Our wounded soldiers have been taken to Mile 4, while those killed have been transported back to Maiduguri."

Sagir Musa, army's spokesman, did not immediately respond to a message seeking development confirmation of the attack.

Despite repeated claims of defeating the sect, insurgents have continued to launch attacks across the north-east.

Meanwhile, Babagana Zulum, governor of the state, has inaugurated a committee for the resettlement of internally displaced persons back to Baga.

The governor said after his visit to Baga in August, a formal letter was sent to Tukur Buratai, chief of army staff, notifying him of the

desire of the people to relocate to Baga.

"The letter received the blessing of the military, hence we have taken steps to relocate citizens back to their ancestral homes. In view of the foregoing, Borno State government constituted a high powered committee comprising

## Lagos dislodges illegal slaughter slab, arrests 10 butchers in Alimosho

**A**n illegal slaughter slab in the Oke Rube area of Alimosho Local Government Area was, yesterday, busted by officials of the Lagos State government with 10 butchers arrested and two live cows confiscated.

The onslaught was carried out by men of the re-inaugurated Monitoring, Enforcement and Compliance Team of the state Ministry of Agriculture in furtherance of the sanitisation of the red meat value chain.

The state acting Commissioner for Agriculture, Ms Abisola Olu-sanya, explained that the exercise was coming on the heels of repeated warnings to the operators of the illegal slaughter slabs and the menace of their activities.

She said: "This dislodgement exercise is necessary especially as the state is particular about the production of wholesome and healthy meat for its residents while simultaneously ensuring that the streets are free of stray

top government functionaries both from the federal and state governments, the armed forces, CJTF, hunters, and traditional rulers."

He also said the army chief has replied to the letter seeking military clearance for the return of the displaced persons.

animals.

"We will also strictly enforce meat transportation using only the designated vehicles and stray animals control which has lately become more rampant in the State."

She noted that the state government re-inaugurated the Monitoring, Enforcement and Compliance Team last Friday and charged it with the responsibilities of dislodging illegal abattoirs, controlling and enforcing issues relating to the transportation and sale of meat as only the Eko Refrigerated Meat Vans and Eko Live Animals Transport are the permitted means of transporting meat from one place to another.

According to her, the illegal abattoirs were constituting a hazard to the businesses of legal operators who are doing everything possible to ensure that only healthy and wholesome meat is produced for the populace.