



Lake Chad

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[Chad](#) has concluded a military campaign, **Operation Haskanite**, against **Boko Haram**.

- The campaign targeted Boko Haram's strongholds in the **Lake Chad region**, a strategic hub for militant activity.
- **Boko Haram**: It is a Nigeria-based terrorist group aiming to impose Islamic law in the country. Its name means **“Western education is forbidden.”**
- **Lake Chad**: Situated in **north-west Africa**, the Lake Chad region spans **Nigeria, Cameroon, Niger, and Chad**. It is a dynamic **freshwater body** with human presence dating back to the **Paleolithic era** (2.6 million years ago to 10,000 years ago).
 - The **Sao Civilization (5th century)** left rich archaeological remains, showcasing expertise in fishing, hunting and farming.
 - Lake Chad faces a **humanitarian crisis**, with over 10 million in need due to poverty, climate change, and conflict. **Boko Haram** exploits the instability, worsening the region's challenges.



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