

Three security personnel, civilian killed in militant attacks

KABUL, Dec 1 (Pajhwok Afghan News): Two Afghan policemen were killed in Taliban attacks in the volatile southern provinces of Helmand and Uruzgan, officials said on Saturday.

Helmand police chief Brig. Gen. Muhammad Hussain Andiwai told Pajhwok Afghan News one policeman was killed in a rebel attack on a check-post in the Taliban-infested Sangin district.

He added one civilian was also killed and another two suffered wounds in a landmine explosion in Bolan area on the outskirts of provincial capital Lashkargah. He blamed insurgents for the incident.

An Afghan National Army (ANA) soldier was killed a clash with Taliban fighters on the Kandahar-Uruzgan Highway late Friday night. Uruzgan police head Brig. Gen. Juma Gul Himat claimed Police several casualties were inflicted on the insurgents in a joint Afghan-NATO operation.

In the eastern Kunar province, unidentified gunmen set ablaze a girls high school in Asmar district, Education Director Asadullah Roya said. The arsonists torched blackboards, tents and stationery, he added.

Meanwhile, Nangarhar police seized some 150 kilograms of narcotics during an operation, police spokesman Col. Abdul Ghafoor said. The drugs were recovered during a raid on a house in Spin Ghar district, but the owner managed to escape.

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