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10 civilians injured in Kandahar suicide blast

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At least ten civilians were hospitalised with injuries after a suicide bomber detonated his explosives in the capital of southern Kandahar province on Sunday, an official said.

The attacker was on foot and detonated explosives strapped to his body after police identified him, police spokesman Zia Durrani told Pajhwok Afghan News. Police ordered him to stop but he exploded his vest. The bomber was on his way to attack the public order police.

The incident took place at around 10:30am in Polbagh area of Kandahar City, the provincial capital.

A doctor at the Mirwais Civil Hospital confirmed receiving seven injured people, including children and women, at the hospital, saying their injuries were not life-threatening.

But provincial media office in a press statement said ten civilains suffered multiple injuries in the incident.

Giving an eyewitness account, Omidullah, who sustained injuries in the blast, said he was passing through the area when the blast took place.

The Taliban are yet to comment on the incident.

