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Suicide attack leaves 2 killed, 16 injured in Lashkargah

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Two persons have been killed and 16 others wounded in a suicide attack in Lashkar Gah, provincial capital of southern Helmand province.

Omar Zwak, spokesman for acting governor of Helmand says the suicide attacker who was driving a corolla vehicle laden with explosives targeted a convoy of Afghan National Civil Order Police (ANCOP) in Lashkar Gah city around 02:30 PM Thursday.

He said the attack left a civilian and one policeman killed and 16 others wounded in Lashkar Bazaar area of the city.

Zwak added that there are policemen and civilians including five children in the ones injured.

Today's suicide attack comes after deadly clashes occurred last night between civilians and Taliban in Helmand's Maiwand district.

The clashes left seven people dead and eleven others injured.

The ones killed included three civilians and four Taliban.

Those injured included seven Taliban, three civilians and one policeman who was assisting civilians in the fight against Taliban.

Residents of Maiwand and Panjwai districts of Helmand province have taken weapons against Taliban.

Villagers of some districts in other parts of the country including Kunar and Ghazni have also taken weapons against Taliban insurgency in their areas.

Although they have pushed back Taliban from their areas but occasional clashes occur between them and Taliban who try to come back to their areas.