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Taliban militants launch major attack in Kunar province

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Heavy clashes continue between the Taliban militants and the Afghan security forces in eastern Kunar province of Afghanistan after the Taliban militants launched a major attack in Marwar district.

According to local security officials, the Taliban militants launched a coordinated attack on security check posts in central and remote areas of Marwar district earlier this morning.

Provincial police chief Abdul Habib Syed Khel said sporadic clashes still continue and at least 14 Taliban militants have been killed and 17 others have been injured so far.

In the meantime, the Taliban militants group claimed that heavy casualties were incurred to the Afghan forces during the gun battle and said only 3 Taliban fighters were killed and 4 others were injured.

The coordinated attack in eastern Kunar province comes the Taliban-led insurgency has been rampant during the recent days.

Taliban militants captured Kohistanat district in their latest coordinated attack in northern Sar-e-Pul province of Afghanistan which was followed days after the Taliban militants captured a joint military base in northeastern Badakshshan province where scores of Afghan forces surrendered to the group.